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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 4-18-68

FROM : JOHN R. WANDS
SPC

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 6:05 PM, 4-18-68, JOHN BRENNAN, telephonically advised he is presently in Casper, Wyoming and would like to have a agent contact him in Casper regarding some information he had on GALT. He advised he is from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and is a professional gambler. He related that he would be leaving for Salt Lake City tonight and would like to have a agent contact him at Tel # 234-9001.

SA GUNTER advised.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

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OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCIES IN YOUR AREAS TO INSURE THE
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER (157-203)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : J. HALE MC MENAMIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 10:10 P.M., 4/17/68 Lt. TED KOZANECKI, Boulder, Colorado Police Department advised that at approximately 10:05 P.M. he received an anonymous telephone call from a male caller who was received by him, who stated "you better check room 120 at the Holiday Inn. There is a guy in there with a gun who killed King." When asked for his identity, the caller hung up.

At 10:25 P.M. the writer interviewed Mrs. ARDIS DIGBY, night clerk, Holiday Inn, who advised room 120 was currently occupied by MARC G. GROSS, 1766 Kingsbury Rd., Norfolk, Virginia. He registered in at 10:44 P.M., 4/16/68 and indicated on the registration card that he was employed by Esquire Naval Tailors, Norfolk, Virginia. The card reflected no automobile for GROSS; however, Mrs. DIGBY stated he is a regular customer at the Holiday Inn, coming in every month or so, and usually has a rental automobile. She characterized him as a "jolly, drummer-type" individual, and has never caused the motel any trouble or embarrassment. She further described him as follows:

Race:	White
Age:	Late 30's
Height:	5'7"
Weight:	175-180
Build:	Obese
Hair:	Dark, full head of hair with slightly receding hairline.

Following the interview with Mrs. DIGBY, Lt. WILLIAM POHORILAK, Boulder PD advised the writer that the same individual who had called the department previously, called again and identified himself as ROBERT BROWN, Maintenance Man at the Holiday Inn, 2995-17th St., Boulder, telephone 444-5588, who stated he desired to be interviewed concerning the above matter.

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BROWN was subsequently interviewed by the writer, stating that he took some luggage into room 120 which had been left in the lobby, and while in the room, noticed what he thought was a .25 cal. automatic pistol in a leather holster lying on the dresser. He stated he had only a very brief glimpse of the occupant, but generally described him in the same manner as Mrs. DIGBY. He continued that on the night of 4/17/68 he saw a picture of ERIC STARVO GALT on a television news program, and thought GALT looked somewhat similar to the occupant of room 120, and became suspicious, as he recalled seeing the gun in this room. He pointed out that he had no information whatsoever that the occupant of this room was in any way connected with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, other than the fact he had a gun, and in his opinion, resembled GALT.

FBI Claims Conspired

In Slaying

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The FBI Wednesday issued a warrant charging that mysterious Eric Starvo Galt and a man he claimed was his brother conspired to kill Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Memphis police responded by charging Galt with murder and FBI agents across the nation distributed a photograph of the man they said was Galt.

But witnesses in Memphis and Birmingham who said they had seen Galt claimed the man in the FBI photograph did not even resemble him. The FBI refused to comment on this.

Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark's announcement was the first official confirmation of a conspiracy in the April 4 assassination of King in Memphis. Clark had first claimed it was the work of one man.

The complaint, filed Wednesday in Birmingham, Ala., charged the 36-year-old Galt and an individual "whom he alleged to be his brother, entered into a conspiracy which continued until, on or about April 5, 1968, to injure, oppress, threaten or intimidate" King in violation of his civil rights.

The FBI refused to further identify the man alleged to be Galt's brother and declined to say whether a warrant also had been issued for him. The charge against Galt carries on conviction a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

The FBI said Galt, a man



Eric Starvo Galt . . . FBI artists sketched in open eyes on photo of Galt, also known as Harvey Lowmyer and John Willard.

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It claimed he and the other man launched their plot March 29—seven days before the slaying—and that Galt came to Memphis the day before King was killed. Although it said Galt and his "brother" did not hatch their conspiracy until March 29, it did not explain the elaborate attempts to conceal the history of the man called Galt.

the FBI did not explain how it had tied Galt to the case. But

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Casper Star-Tribune

Casper, Wyoming

Date: 4/18/68

Edition: Morning

Author: (UPI)

Editor: WILLIAM J. HISSITT

Title: MURKIN

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Submitting Office: Denver

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA E. WILLIAM TRAINOR

SUBJECT: MURKIN

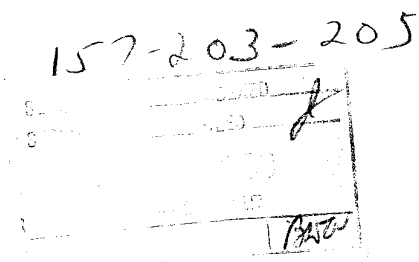
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As instructed Chief of Police ROY BLUME, Lamar, Colorado, was contacted by phone from the Denver Office. He advised he would obtain the necessary information and telephone same to the Denver Office to SA FOX, SA GALLIE or ASAC MORLEY. Contact on 4/17/68.

On the night of 4/17/68 Chief ROY BLUME advised SA TRAINOR telephonically that he had been unable to obtain the information or to contact FRENCH but efforts were continuing. He said he had received information indicating that FRENCH was still around Lamar and was described as six feet two inches tall and 214 pounds but he did not know if this information was reliable. SA TRAINOR furnished this information to ASAC JOHN MORLEY, Denver by phone.

On 4/18/68 Chief of Police ROY BLUME advised SA TRAINOR by phone that he had obtained all the information regarding the identity of RONALD FRENCH and had telephoned this information to SA RAY FOX in the Denver Office.

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FBI Believed On Trail of King's Slayer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 18—(UPI)—FBI sources indicated Thursday that information from an alleged conspirator in the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. may lead them to Eric Starvo Galt, the accused killer.

An FBI spokesman in Washington said, "The FBI has no one in custody in connection with Dr. King's slaying," but another source indicated the FBI was either in communication with or questioning the "alleged brother" of Eric Galt. The brother has not been charged.

After Galt bought a rifle from a sporting goods store here March 29, sources said, he took it to the "alleged brother" who was quoted as saying the .243 Remington rifle was "not the gun we need." Galt returned to the sporting goods store and swapped the first rifle for a .30-06 Remington pump action rifle on March 30, sources close to the investigation said.

The FBI has refused to say what ballistics tests on that weapon, found near the Memphis, Tenn., flophouse that served as the snipers post, had revealed.

The FBI apparently had reason to believe that Galt, who speaks with a rural accent and had several aliases, might have returned to Birmingham after the assassination April 4.

A check of 22 rooming houses in Birmingham Thursday found 10 managers who said FBI agents had questioned them in search of Galt early this week.

Most of the same boarding houses had already been checked by FBI agents in the days immediately after the slaying when agents traced the rifle to the Birmingham sporting goods store.

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DENVER, COLORADO

Date: 4-19-68
Edition: Home Final
Author:
Editor: Jack Foster
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Why FBI Believes King Suspect Has Brother

By THOMAS TALBURT

Scripture-Turned Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, April 18 — The FBI, which is not certain Eric Starvo Galt really has a brother, included an alleged brother in a complaint charging Galt with conspiracy in the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., for two reasons:

○ When Galt—and the FBI believes that name is merely another of several aliases he used—was graduated from a school for bartenders on March 2 in Hollywood, Calif., he was offered a job. But, according to persons who knew him in California, he turned the job down saying he wanted to "visit" his brother. He apparently did not say where he expected to see his brother, but the FBI says Galt appeared in Birmingham March 29 and in Memphis April 3—the day before Dr. King was shot.

The picture of Galt released by the FBI was obtained at a Los Angeles bartenders' school. The original, in color, showed Galt holding his graduation certificate. In the picture his eyes were closed, but an FBI artist painted them in.

When Galt went to a gun shop in Birmingham, Ala., on March 29 he purchased a .30 Remington rifle but returned it a few days later.

The FBI says he then bought a 30.06 pump-action rifle and telescopic sight—the same type rifle and sight found near the Memphis rooming house from which Dr. King's assassin fired the fatal shot.

The FBI complaint says only that Galt "and an individual whom he alleged to be his brother" entered into a conspiracy against Dr. King. But only Galt was charged with conspiracy.

FBI officials here dismissed as "absolutely false" reports from Birmingham that Galt's "brother" or other conspirator was aiding in the search for Galt. It was made clear that while investigators believe there was a conspiracy in the King slaying, they are not at all certain Galt has a brother and have no positive identification of the suspected conspirator.

An intriguing question among many that tight-lipped FBI officials refused even to discuss is how Galt, characterized as a "floater," had the money to

Search for slayer suspect goes on, Page 18.

spend \$700 in three months for lessons in the bartending school and a dance studio in California. Months before, on Aug. 30, 1967, he also had paid \$2000 in Birmingham for a 1966 white Mustang. The car was found abandoned in Atlanta on April 11—a week after Dr. King's death.

Galt had told Rod Arvidson, general manager of the National Dance Studios in Los Angeles, that he once operated a bar and restaurant in Mexico. There has been speculation Galt fled to Mexico or Cuba after Dr. King was killed.

A strange twist in the case was that although Galt was graduated from the bartending school in California on March 2, a duplicate Alabama driver's license was mailed to him at an address in Birmingham on March 1. Five days later the Alabama driving license division received 25 cents by mail in payment for the duplicate license, but apparently the records do not show where the payment was mailed.

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Editor: Jack Foster
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER (157-203)

DATE: April 19, 1968

FROM : WILLIAM JOHN SPRING

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On this date at 12:40 pm, MRS. (FNU) LUBITZ telephonically contacted the Denver FBI Office and furnished the following information to switchboard operator CHERYL GORE:

She was calling from a service station and stated that at 12:35 pm at West Alameda and Carr, she observed a small green and white automobile going west. She stated that the car bore 1968 Colorado License Plates AG 4192. She stated that she had no telephone and resided at 147 S. Cody St., Denver.

According to DMV, AG 4192 is registered to F. P. & PATRICIA L. RAEVSKY, 457 S. Emerson Street, Denver, Colorado, for a 1962 Ford 4-door.

According to Polk's Denver City Directory, the occupants of 457 S. Emerson Street are people with the name of FRANK P. RAEVSKY, telephone 777-8862, employment listed as "Eng C & S Ry".

On 4/19/68 Mr. FRANK P. RAEVSKY, 457 S. Emerson St., Denver, Colorado was contacted by SA's STEPHEN B. CHENOWETH AND KELLY ENGLAND and it was determined that Mr. RAEVSKY was driving his 1962 Ford Falcon, green over white, on 4/19/68 in the vicinity of W. Alameda and Carr Streets. Mr. RAEVSKY is approximately 6'11", weighs 190 lbs., and is 38 years old. In view of Mr. RAEVSKY's description above and through personal observation it was determined that he is not identical with JAMES EARL RAY, aka ERIC STARVO GALT.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER (157-203)

FROM : WILLIAM JOHN SPRING

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: April 19, 1968

On this date at 9:00 am, MRS. PAUL EDWARDS, 990 Hartford, Boulder, Colorado, 443-0664, telephonically advised that while she was coming back with her daughter by Greyhound Bus on vacation from Minnesota, she changed buses at Omaha, Nebraska on April 7, 1968, shortly after midnight. At this time, an individual, who according to her resembled ERIC STARVO GALT, got onto the bus and rode to Cheyenne, Wyoming.

On 4/7/68, the passengers changed buses at Cheyenne, and she took a bus to Denver and the individual took a bus for Las Vegas, Nevada.

She further advised that this individual was well dressed, resembled GALT and she overheard him talking to another person that he lived in Omaha, Nebraska for three months and is moving to Las Vegas. He had just one suitcase with him which he kept under his seat and she could not remember who he called himself.

She described him as having wavy dark brown with blue eyes. He also heard him mention that he had been employed as a bartender.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER (157-203) (P)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA TERENCE C. MC GAUGHNEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

MRS. MILDRED JAMES telephonically contacted the writer at 2:04pm and advised that she had been at the Department of Motor Vehicles, 610 Fourteenth St. about 11:00am this date to get a license for her car. MRS. JAMES stated that the man standing in front of her in line strongly resembled the picture of ERIC STARVO GALT which she had seen in the paper. Mrs JAMES advised that she asked the clerk for the man's name and address and was told he used the name DENNIS BACKMAN (phonetic) and his address was 363 Clarkson.

MRS. JAMES gave her address as 935 Lincoln and phone number as 534-8445.

LEADS:

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AT DENVER, COLORADO: Conduct appropriate investigation at 363 Clarkson to determine if BACKMAN is identical with subject.



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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: April 19, 1968

FROM : SA Richard L. Campbell

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Mrs. ETHEL WEBSTER, P.O. Box 1262, 2601 Park Place, Farmington, New Mexico, telephone 325-3084, stated she is visiting her daughter-in-law in Denver at 1675 Jay St., Lakewood, telephone 238-4410 until 4/20/68 when she is returning to Farmington, N.M.

She stated that on Monday, 4-15-68, she boarded Continental Trailways Bus (that was made up in Albuquerque, N.M.) at 10:30AM in Farmington, New Mexico enroute to Denver. She sat in seat #15 or #16 and immediately behind these seats there was a white male sitting alone that she feels resembles GALT a great deal although she could not say he is identical.

She continued that he was a white, male, in early to middle 30s, under 6', about 160lbs, brownish hair receding on each side of forehead, blue eyes, no hat. He was wearing a dirty appearing gray suede Eisenhower type jacket and black continental style trousers; by continental she stated she meant there was no belt other than the snaps on the trousers and the pant legs tapered at the bottom. He also wore black loafer shoes with no laces. He carried a blue zipper airline type bag but she recalls no lettering on the bag. She added that he was fairly clean and looked as if he had had a shave within the past 24 hours.

She became suspicious of him because he kept changing seats in the bus. Whenever the bus stopped for a rest, he would purchase a coke, sipping it but never taking the cup away from his mouth until he had finished the coke. She added that he smokes with his left hand and always seemed to keep his left hand up to his face in some manner. She did not recall him pulling on his ear lobe.

Just before the bus arrived at Del Norte, Colo., he moved forward and spoke with the driver and then left the bus at Del Norte. He paused and then entered the bus station and that is the last she saw of him. She advised that Del Norte is about 2 or 3 thousand in population. Bus arrived there about 3:00pm 4/15/68.

She added that she hesitated before calling the FBI because of all the crank calls we must receive but that she resolved her doubt by calling. She added that she did not read above descriptive information concerning GALT in papers and then transfer it to the man she saw.

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TO: BOSTON
FROM: DENVER (157-203)
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INSTANT DATE INFO RECEIVED FROM MANAGER, ANTLER PLAZA HOTEL, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO, THAT INDIVIDUAL USING NAME JOSEPH A. MURPHY, GIVING ADDRESS FORTY SEVEN SAMOSET, BOSTON, REGISTERED AT ANTLERS PLAZA, TEN THIRTY AM, APRIL FIFTEEN, ~~ANT~~, CHECKED OUT TEN TWENTY AM, APRIL EIGHTEEN, INSTANT.

INDIVIDUAL HAD ONLY OVERNIGHT CANVAS-TYPE BAG FOR LUGGAGE, GAVE NO BUSINESS AFFILIATION, NOR HOME PHONE NUMBER. INDIVIDUAL LISTED TRANSPORTATION TO COLORADO SPRINGS AS BUS.

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Special Agent in Charge

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SERVICED MURPHY'S ROOM, FOURTEEN TWENTY, ADVISED INDIVIDUAL APPARENTLY TRYING TO AVOID HAVING FACE SEEN ON HER CONTACTS WITH HIM AND STATED INDIVIDUAL APPEARS QUITE SIMILAR WITH PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT CIRCULATED IN NEWSPAPERS.

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BOSTON CONDUCT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION RE MURPHY AND DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT. END.

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TO BOSTON

FROM DENVER 157-203

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ROOM, FOURTEEN TWENTY, ADVISED INDIVIDUAL
APPARENTLY TRYING TO AVOID HAVING FACE SEEN ON HER CONTACTS
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PHOTOGRAPH OF ERIC STARVO GALT CIRCULATED IN NEWSPAPERS.

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FIVE FEET TEN, ONE FORTY FIVE TO ONE SIXTY POUNDS, LIGHT
BROWN HAIR. SUBJECT PAID CASH FOR BILL OF FORTY FOUR DOLLARS
AND EIGHTY EIGHT CENTS.

BOSTON CONDUCT BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION RE MURPHY AND
DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER 157-203

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA Lynn K. Enyart

SUBJECT: ERIC STARVO GALT

On 4/18/68 at 1:10 P.M., Phillip Raife, 2925 E. Maplewood Ave., Denver, Colorado, telephonically advised SA Roy Green that he had just seen an individual in the Retreat Lounge, S. Colorado Blvd. and Yale Ave., Denver, who resembled a photo he had seen of Galt.

On 4/18/68 at 2:00 P.M., SAs Enyart and Kelly England arrived at the Retreat Lounge, where the Barmaid stated that Mr. Raife had left the bar and she pointed out an individual seated at the bar who she stated was the person who looked like Galt.

This individual was interviewed and identified himself as Owen George Robbins, Box 346, Blanco, Texas and produced Texas Driver's License number 3739231 and Selective Service Registration Certificate number [REDACTED]. Through observation and interview, Mr. Robbins was determined to be a white, male, DOB of [REDACTED] 6'0" tall, 175 pounds, blond hair and blue eyes. He was in possession of a 1967 Pontiac, Catalina, gold in color, bearing 1968 Texas license plates DRS 836.

This individual's facial features had some resemblance to those of Galt, but was definitely not identical with Galt.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), SAN FRANCISCO (173-65),
LOS ANGELES (44-1574), BOSTON, AND DENVER
FROM: SACRAMENTO (100-427) 2P

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RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE APRIL EIGHTEEN LAST.

FOR INFO BOSTON AND DENVER PERSON TO PERSON TELEPHONE CALL
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SA Adsit advised 4/19
SA Vince Jones 4/19
9:00 am
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Teletype sent to Boston, et al 4/19
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BOSTON LOCATE AND INTERVIEW GREEN CONCERNING ERIC
STARVO GALT.

CONSIDER GALT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Note:

Lead covered by SA V. R. JONES at Aspen, on 4/19/68. Persons
contacted: Postmaster GEORGE J. WARE, Sgt. RAY DREHOBLE,
Aspen PD, Sheriff CARROL WHITMIRE. There is no arrest
record on employee registration nor forwarding record for
ERIC GALT.

V.R.J.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER (157-203)

FROM : WILLIAM JOHN SPRING

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: April 19, 1968

On this date at 8:50 am, MRS. LEO WILLIAMS, 1257 Xandu Street, Aurora, Colorado, 364-2504, telephonically advised that during the year of 1962, she was acquainted with an individual with the name of RUSSELL GALT, who worked with her at American Bridge and Steele, Sedalia, Missouri. GALT allegedly lived on 2nd Street, above a tavern in Sedalia and his specific occupation was in connection with installing Minutemen Missile Sites.

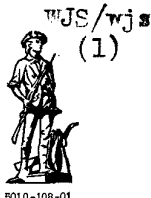
She described this individual as age 34 to 35, 5'9", Brown Hair, 175 lbs., from the state of Louisiana, well educated, well mannered and well dressed.

She stated that during the time she knew him, he married HELEN GRANDFIELD and she last saw him in December, 1962, at which time she terminated employment and moved to Denver. She advised that RUSSELL GALT and his wife is now divorced and she believes that HELEN GRANDFIELD lives with her parents who are long-time residents of the town of Sedalia, Missouri. She advised that she has no current knowledge of the current whereabouts of RUSSELL GALT.

She also mentioned that GALT's family was from the state of Louisiana and they had one daughter during marriage, who is now in custody of the mother. She explained that the fact that HELEN GRANDFIELD is possibly living in Sedalia could be wrong but she is reasonable sure that her parents still reside there.

She stated that the photo of ERIC GALT that she has observed in the newspapers resembled RUSSELL GALT.

She advised that she will again contact this office should she think of any further pertinent information.



*James Earl Ray, aka
Eric Galt, was in
prison 1962. Russell
Galt can't be same
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TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY
FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-203)
MURKIN.

This morning at 8:50 a.m., Mrs. LEO WILLIAMS, 1257 Xandu Street, Aurora, Colorado, telephone number 364-2504, telephonically furnished the following information to the Denver Office:

in 1962 she was acquainted with one RUSSELL GALT who then worked with her at the American Bridge and Steel Company in Sedalia, Missouri. GALT allegedly lived on Second Street above a tavern in Sedalia and his work was in connection with installing Minutemen missile sites.

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Mrs. WILLIAMS said the photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT currently being circulated in connection with instant matter was observed by her in the newspapers and resembles RUSSELL GALT. She also said she would contact this office in the event she has any further information.

The above information submitted for appropriate action.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 4P

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THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE HAS JUST BEEN ISSUED AT WASHINGTON THIS AFTERNOON AND YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE IT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO AND TV STATIONS IN YOUR DIVISION. EVERY EFFORT MUST BE MADE TO INSURE REPEATED AND WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION OF THIS INFORMATION. COPIES OF THE 1968 PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT ALREADY IN YOUR POSSESSION AND WANTED FLYERS SHOULD ALSO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO MEDIA CONTACTS. NO ELABORATION WHATSOEVER MAY BE MADE REGARDING THIS RELEASE. ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING INVESTIGATIVE LEADS WILL FOLLOW SHORTLY.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SA JERRY A. KING

SUBJECT: MURKIN
INFORMATION CONCERNING

WARREN D. WALL, Station Manager, Trans-World Airlines, Stapleton International Airport, Denver, Colo was advised on 4/19/68 of information concerning subject JAMES EARL RAY, and RAY's all known aliases. Three copies of wanted flyer #442, dated 4/17/68 were given to WALL. These flyers also contained RAY's date of birth and additional aliases, along with additional descriptive data, this information being added to flyer by long hand.

WALL was advised that emphasis on this matter should be placed concerning TWA Flight #704, which is an International flight leaving Denver each day at 1:20 PM for London and Frankfurt, with stops at St. Louis and Washington, D. C.

WALL advised that all employees would be exposed and briefed concerning this information and that the flyers would be placed in strategic locations.

WALL was advised by SA KING that his office would be notified if and when subject apprehended or other information was received indicating stops were not necessary.

Stop Card prepared.

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Memphis returned stop card
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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, Kansas City (44-760)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/19/68

Enclosed to the Bureau are six copies and to each office one copy of the following photographs:

JAMES EARL RAY, Missouri Department of
Correction #00416, dated 3/17/60 and
9/8/66

WALTER TERRY RIFE, Kansas City SO #29636
FBI #4558766

Stand up photographs of RAY on the left, Kansas City SO
#29637 and RIFE, Kansas City SO 29236, taken 3/28/55.

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FBI #4558766

Stand up photographs of RAY on the left, Kansas City SO
#29637 and RIFE, Kansas City SO 29236, taken 3/28/55.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM : SA JERRY A. KING

SUBJECT: MURKIN
INFORMATION CONCERNING

CHARLES RUTHER, Manager, Rockland Hotel, 1435 Tremont advised at 7:58am on this date that he had a tenant in his Hotel that looked exactly like the photo of ERIC GALT. RUTHER stated that this person registered into his Hotel on 4/10/68 under the name of SAM MASEY. MASEY gave his home address as 28 Harney, Omaha, Nebraska. RUTHER described MASEY as follows:

w/m, 5'9", 160-165 lbs, dark hair

RUTHER advised that MASEY mentioned that he had done some bar-tending, and that he had just come from Tennessee.

MASEY checked out of the Rockland on 4/11/68.

RUTHER was advised that this matter would be looked into.



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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 4-20-68

FROM : SA RIPPE

SUBJECT: MURKING

At 10:10 AM this date, Alexander Scheibel, Empire Supply Co., 4441 Washington Street, advised as follows:

His company is located across the street from the Burlington RR 38th St. freight yards. On Wednesday, April 17, 1968, in the morning, Scheibel saw a Yellow Cab drive up across the street from Empire Supply, at which time two white, male passengers, both clean in appearance, alighted from the cab, walked into the freight yards, and both individuals crawled into a box car of a freight train being made up, which freight is a regular daily freight train which goes to Chicago.

Scheibel stated one of these men bore a resemblance to Eric Gault. When asked for a description, Scheibel stated both men were similar in general appearance, but one bore a stronger resemblance to Gault's photograph.

Scheibel was across the street from where the cab parked, had only a slight look at the individuals from a facial view, and the majority of his observation involved watching these two men walk away in the direction of the freight car.

Scheibel was asked why he delayed from Wednesday to Saturday to furnish this information, and stated he was hesitant in reporting the matter, until this morning's paper when he saw the photographs, which he felt were more similar than the previous photos under the name Gault.

In view of the type of information furnished, the age of the information, and the fact that complainant saw two individuals from a distance, and is hazy in description, it is recommended that no action be taken at the present time.

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+ show photos Roy + Rippe to driver.
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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM : SA JERRY A. KING

SUBJECT: MERKIN
INFORMATION CONCERNING

At 9:00 am, this date, one JIM MARSHALL telephonically advised this office that he had observed a W/M who resembled photos of ERIC GALT. MARSHALL stated that he had seen this person in an Italian restaurant, which is located one block north of Speer Blvd., and one block east of Grant.

MARSHALL gave the following description of this person:

W/M, late 30s, 5'11, 150 lbs, Thin Build, Blonde hair, neatly combed with a wave in front. Wearing a nice Maroon sharkskin suit.

Unknown was driving a 1967 white Oldsmobile, 1968 Colorado license plate RS-9108. It was also observed that this person had a Southern or Western drawl.

MARSHALL advised that his home address was 2367 S. Locust, Denver, Colo. and that his phone number is 757-7005.

MARSHALL was advised that this matter would be looked into.

4/20/68 Master File, Colo D.M.V. :
This plate not yet on file in Denver.

4/22/68. Miss J. Busby, Jefferson City, D.M.V.
Rudy H. + Lilah J. Witek
10540 W 35th Wheatridge
66 Olds.



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RUTHER DESCRIBED HIM AS WHITE, MALE, FIVE FOOT NINE INCHES, ONE SIXTY TO ONE SIXTY-FIVE POUNDS, DARK HAIR. MASEY MENTIONED TO RUTHER THAT HE HAD DONE SOME BARTENDING AND HAD JUST COME FROM TENNESSEE.

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Date: 4/20/68

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FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-203)

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-203)

DATE: 4/20/68

FROM : EDWARD N. HAWKINS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

This date writer was contacted by one MATHEW GORA, 7968 Olive, Commerce City, Colorado, telephone number 288-1402.

Mr. GORA advised that he noticed an individual that fit the description of GALT at the My-O-My Lounge, 7600 Highway 2, GORA advised that he noticed this individual leave the lounge and enter a early model vehicle, bearing Colorado license TG-1504.

Writer advised GORA that the information would be gladly taken.

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*4/20/68 Master Files, Colo. DMV: Mr. M.L. Sher:
Elmer P. & Angela Dreiling, 6996 Newport
Commerce Cit, 59 Ford 2dr Sedan.
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