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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, CHICGO DENVER, ALBUQUERQUE,
EL PASO, AND LAS VEGAS
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (SP)

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SEVEN AND MAY ONE, LAST, USING TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IF SO, OBTAIN DETAILS AND DESCRIPTION FROM
FRONTIER PERSONNEL AND EXHIBIT PHOTOS JAMES EARL RAY.

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CHICAGO, AT UAL CHECK MANIFESTS ON TICKET FOR UAL FLIGHTS FROM DENVER TO LAS VEGAS OR LOS ANGELES FOR FIVE ONE AND TWO SIXTY-EIGHT FOR CARL RAY.

CREDIT CARD AND FRONTIER AIR LINE TICKETS SECURED AT LOS ANGELES FORWARDED BUREAU VIA AIR TODAY.

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TO PHOENIX FLIGHT FIVE EIGHT ONE ON TWENTY-SEVEN LAST
 BACK AND HAD TICKET RETURN FOR APRIL TWENTY-SEVEN LAST
 ON JET FLIGHT SEVEN SEVEN FIVE, ALABAMA TO PHOENIX
 FRONTIER AIRLINES CREDIT APPLICATION AT ALABAMA
 IS BEARING FOR IT.

LAS VEGAS ADVISED A CHECK OF FRONTIER AIRLINE THAT
 ASCERTAINED THAT INFORMATION ON FLIGHT SEVEN ONE SEVEN TWO LAST
 WERE MADE THROUGH PHOENIX ON A DELTA JET SEVEN ONE SEVEN
 THAN THOSE AT DENVER AND GAVE A JUNE'S CALL AND NUMBER ON
 THREE SEVEN SEVEN DASH ONE NINE EIGHT SEVEN. LAS VEGAS
 TICKETS ARE STILL THERE, VOIDED, AS PASSING TO OT SEVEN
 RECORDS INDICATE PLANNING TO STAY AT SAME HOTEL. RECORD AT
 SAID NEGATIVE. DENVER HAS BEEN ADVISED.

PHOENIX CHECK CALL BACK NUMBER TO FLIGHT IN LAS VEGAS
 ALABAMA, SHOULD CREDIT APPLICATION TO FRONTIER
 INDIVIDUAL ABOVE.

CHICAGO, AT BAL CHECK NUMBER ON FLIGHT FOR BAL FLIGHT
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INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES TO DETERMINE IDENTITY
OF CARL RAY.

COPIES FURNISHED BIRMINGHAM AIR.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS."

PHOENIX AT FRONTIER AIRLINES, DETERMINE IF CARL RAY
OBTAINED TICKETS PX TO DN BETWEEN APRIL TWENTY SEVEN AND
MAY ONE, LAST, USING TEMPORARY CREDIT CARD [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]. IF SO, OBTAIN DETAILS AND DESCRIPTION FROM
FRONTIER PERSONNEL AND EXHIBIT PHOTOS JAMES EARL RAY. END.

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URGENT 5-4-68 THW

TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS, LOS ANGELES, PHOENIX AND LAS VEGAS
FROM DENVER (157-203)

MURKIN

REDNTEL TO PHOENIX FIVE FOUR INSTANT, FURNISHING DATE IN LATEL
FIVE THREE LAST, RE CARL RAY AND REQUESTING INVESTIGATION
AT FRONTIER AIRLINES.

FRONTIER AIRLINES ADVISED SAME MO AS USED BY CARL RAY WAS
USED BY PERSON GOING BY NAME OF HERMAN J. SCHUMACHER EARLIER
IN THE MONTH OF APRIL, AND THE TWO MEN MAY BE ONE AND THE SAME.
SCHUMACHER POSSESSES TEMPORARY FRONTIER CREDIT CARD ONE NINE
EIGHT ONE EIGHT, PROBABLY OBTAINED IN PHOENIX. SAM CALLES, STATION
MANAGER, FRONTIER, PHOENIX, NOTIFIED FRONTIER DENVER THAT SCHMACHER
PURCHASED TWO ROUND TRIP TICKETS PHOENIX TO ST. LOUIS FOR MAN AND
WIFE ON APRIL FIFTEEN LAST. ON APRIL SIXTEEN, LAST, WESTERN AIRLINES,
PHOENIS ADVISED FRONTIER, PHOENIS, THAT THESE TWO TICKETS HAD
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PHOENIX AND LAS VEGAS ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF SCHUMACHER AND RAY ARE IDENTICAL.

END

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FBI LASVEAS

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI; ME; LA; PX; LV
FROM: DENVER (157-203)

MURKIN

REDNTEL TO PX FIVE FOUR INSTANT, FURNISHING DATA IN LATEL
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PX AND LV ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF SCHUMACHER AND RAY ARE IDENTICAL. END.

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FBI DENVER

FBI MOBILE

531PM URGENT 5-3-68 URGENT MMA

TO DENVER

FROM MOBILE 157-2627

MURKIN, CR. OO ME.

RE JAMES E. RAY, THREE ELEVEN MAY ST., MONTGOMERY, ALA
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WELDER, FEB. TWENTYSIX THROUGH MARCH ELEVEN LAST, VOLUNTARILY
QUITTING. THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS BORN [REDACTED] CLANTON,
ALA., SOCIAL SECURITY NO. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CLAIMED SERVED USN NINETEEN FORTYTHREE-FORTY
SIX.

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PLOYMENT. GRIFFIN STATED THIS MONEY HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN SENT TO
RAY'S HOME ADDRESS IN MONTGOMERY, ALA., AND CHECK HAD NOT BEEN
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AS THIS INDIVIDUAL REPORTEDLY SERVED IN USN AND REPORTEDLY OLDER THAT SUBJ RAY IT WOULD APPEAR NOT IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

DENVER SHOULD INTERVIEW JAMES E. RAY AT WHEATLAND, WYOMING SO AND VERIFY NOT IDENTICAL WITH SUBJ AND DETERMINE ANY POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP WITH SUBJ RAY.

AM COPY TO MEMPHIS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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3:16 PM URGENT 5-4-68 SHH

TO MINNEAPOLIS

FROM DENVER

MURKIN

REURTEL CALL TO DENVER MAY FOUR, INSTANT, CONCERNING JACK HARGOG, REPORTEDLY RESIDING SPEARFISH, NORTH DAKOTA.

INVESTIGATION, CHEYENNE, WYOMING, DISCLOSES JACK HARGOG PROBABLY IDENTICAL TO JACK HARZOG, WHOSE PARENTS RESIDE SIX EIGHT THIRTY MANHATTAN LANE, CHEYENNE. THE HERZOG FAMILY UNAVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW, HOWEVER, NEIGHBORS STATE THEY HAVE SON, JACK HERZOG, AND NEIGHBORS DO NOT BELIEVE HE RESEMBLES JAMES EARL RAY. FOR INFORMATION MINNEAPOLIS, NUMEROUS EMPLOYEES AT BOEING COMPANY HAVE MOVED FROM CHEYENNE, WYOMING, TO VARIOUS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA AND MINNEAPOLIS MAY DESIRE THE SEATTLE OFFICE TO CHECK BOEING RECORDS.

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CONCERNING JACK HERZOG INASMUCH AS THERE ARE NO RECORDS
AVAILABLE CHEYENNE.

INVESTIGATION WILL CONTINUE TO LOCATE JACK HERZOG

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AVAILABLE CHEYENNE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re LA tel to Director, 5/4/68.

Re investigation concerning possible look-a-like
of JAMES EARL RAY by name of CARL RAY.

When individual using name CARL RAY obtained the
two round-trip tickets from Las Vegas to St. Louis, at
Frontier Airlines Ticket Counter, Stapleton Airport, Denver,
Colorado, on 5/1/68, he did so by using temporary Frontier
Airlines credit card [REDACTED], and therefore, had to sign a
Frontier Airlines Transportation Receipt. The original of
this Transportation Receipt, bearing the signature of
CARL RAY, in the upper left-hand corner is enclosed.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare this
handwriting with any known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY.
It is noted that according to referenced teletype, The
temporary credit card [REDACTED] which may bear additional
handwriting of CARL RAY is also being forwarded to the Bureau
by Los Angeles.

The Laboratory is requested to return the
Transportation Receipt to Denver after completion of the
examination.

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MURKIN

Re Mobile teletype 5/3/68, concerning one JAMES E. RAY, 311 May Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

The JAMES EARL RAY who was in jail in Wheatland, Wyoming, as of 4/25/68, was checked out by the Denver Office through Sheriff EINAR MICKELSEN of Platte County. This particular RAY was arrested 4/22/68, on a Bad Check charge and is a white male, American, age 40, 5 feet 11 inches, 170 pounds, brown eyes, brown hair, which is receding very much in the center. He has no scar on his forehead and his left ear does not protrude. Fingerprints of this RAY were sent to the Identification Division, and by telephone, Denver learned from the Identification Division that the JAMES EARL RAY in Wheatland is not the RAY the Bureau is seeking.

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SA ELMER A. SAMSON

MURKIN

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SA GRADY advised he had just received information from RA GEORGE D. O'CLOCK in North Dakota, that a student at the University of Black Hills, at Spearfish, North Dakota, one SUE SORENSON ODEE, who resides at Rural Route 1, Spearfish, North Dakota, and who works at Margie's Diner at Spearfish, had had some contact with an individual using the name of JACK HARGOG, who has been residing at the Siesta Motel in Spearfish, for the past several weekends.

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DENVER DIVISION

AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING: Attempt to identify JACK HARGOG, 6830 Manhattan Lane, Cheyenne, Wyoming, and determine if identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

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TO : SAC, DENVER (157-205) (P)

FROM : SA ELMER A. SAMSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/4/68

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DENVER (157-203)

DATE: 5/4/68

FROM : SA Elmer A. Samson

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: RONNIE EMBERTON Serials 307 and 326

Ada Riddle, 63 South Logan St., Denver, Colorado, telephonically contacted the office twice this afternoon at approximately 2:10 pm and again at 2:25 pm. She hung up both times. Mrs. Riddle referred to the information she had previously furnished this office on April 18, 1968 concerning Emberton and wanted to know why we hadn't picked him up as he is definitely the man that killed Martin Luther King, Jr. I told her that the only person charged as having a connection with this murder is James Earl Ray. She said she was aware of this as she has been following the matter closely. She said she hates "niggers" herself but wants to see the murderer of King caught. I assured her that the FBI is doing everything possible toward this end including the checking out of RONNIE EMBERTON and that this individual is not identical to RAY. She immediately became very defensive and said that if the FBI is looking for James Earl Ray, then the FBI is looking for the wrong man as she is convinced that EMBERTON is the man we should be looking for, and further that if we aren't interested in EMBERTON then the FBI just doesn't want to find out who King's killer really is. I assured her that this is not the case and asked her why she was so certain that EMBERTON was involved. She replied that EMBERTON has lied to her. In the first place when he came to get a room, he said he was broke but that this is not true. Further, that he said he had been hospitalized in a VA Hospital in Wyoming and that this was not true. She said EMBERTON at one time owned a white Mustang and "has been ~~everywhere~~ everyplace the murderer of King was supposed to have been". She said that Emberton probably has a toupee and that this is a disguise.

Nothing I could say to Mrs. Riddle seemed to move her from her obsession that Emberton is the man who killed King. She said the FBI has made mistakes before and that information she has previously furnished to this office has not been properly handled. I challenged her on both points and asked her to be specific about both instances but she was unable to do so.

Above for record purposes.

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804PM URGENT 5-5-68 JRW

TO MINNEAPOLIS

FROM DENVER 157-203

MURKIN

RE MINNEAPOLIS TELCALL TO DENVER MAY FOUR LAST CONCERNING JACK
HARGOG AND DENVER TEL TO MINNEAPOLIS MAY FOUR LAST.

JACOB CLEON HERZOG JR., AKA JACK HERZOG, SIX EIGHT THREE ZERO
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EARL RAY.

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420PM URGENT 5-4-68 THW

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND SPRINGFIELD
FROM DENVER (157-203)

MURKIN

RE SPRINGFIELD TEL TO BUREAU DATED MAY THREE, LAST.

RE FULL COVERAGE OF RELATIVES.

DENVER TELEPHONE NUMBER THREE THREE THREE - FIVE FOUR
EIGHT SIX LISTED TO EL PATIO MOTEL, EIGHT FOUR ZERO ZERO
EAST COLFAX AVENUE, DENVER, A RESPECTABLE MOTEL.
MOTEL MAINTAINS NO RECORD OF PREPAID INCOMING LONG DISTANCE
TELEPHONE CALLS. MOTEL HAS NO RECORD ANY COLLECT CALL FROM QUINCY,
ILLINOIS, DURING LAST TWO MONTHS AND MOTEL EMPLOYEES
DO NOT RECALL ANY LONG DISTANCE CALLS RECEIVED BY
GUESTS FROM QUINCY, ILLINOIS, AND RECALL NO GUESTS
RESEMBLING SUBJECT. NAMES OF GUESTS AT MOTEL ON APRIL THREE,
LAST, BEING FURNISHED SPRINGFIELD AND MEMPHIS BY AIRTEL.
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SIX THREE TWO - ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING, IS
A VACANT TERMINAL, AND IS NOT A WORKING NUMBER.

SPRINGFIELD SHOULD NOTE THAT MANY TIMES COLLECT CALL
UPON BILLING WILL HAVE ORIGINATING NUMBER LISTED AS THE
EXCHANGE NUMBER FOLLOWED BY FOUR ZEROS, INDICATING THAT THE
OPERATOR DID NOT DETERMINE THE COMPLETE ORIGINATING NUMBER.

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FBI SPRNGFLD

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SPRINGFIELD
FROM: DENVER (157-203)

MURKIN

RE SPRINGFIELD TEL TO BUREAU DATED MAY THREE, LAST.
RE FULL COVERAGE OF RELATIVES.

DENVER TELEPHONE NUMBER THREE THREE THREE DASH FIVE
FOUR EIGHT SIX LISTED TO EL PATIO MOTEL, EIGHT FOUR ZERO
ZERO EAST COLFAX AVENUE, DENVER, A RESPECTABLE MOTEL.
MOTEL MAINTAINS NO RECORD OF PREPAID INCOMING LONG DISTANCE
TELEPHONE CALLS. MOTEL HAS NO RECORD ANY COLLECTION CALLS
FROM QUINCY, ILLINOIS, DURING LAST TWO MONTHS AND MOTEL
EMPLOYEES DO NOT RECALL ANY LONG DISTANCE CALLS RECEIVED BY
GUESTS FROM QUINCY, ILLINOIS, AND RECALL NO GUESTS
RESEMBLING SUBJECT. NAMES OF GUESTS AT MOTEL ON APRIL THREE,
LAST, BEING FURNISHED SPRINGFIELD AND MEMPHIS BY AIRTEL.

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, MONTTAIN STATES TELEPHONE ADVISES
SIX THREE TWO DASH ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING,
IS A VACANT TERMINAL, AND IS NOT A WORKING NUMBER.

SPRINGFIELD SHOULD NOTE THAT MANY TIMES COLLECTION CALLS
UPON BILLING WILL HAVE ORIGINATING NUMBER LISTED AS THE
EXCHANGE NUMBER FOLLOWED BY FOUR ZEROS, INDICATING THAT THE
OPERATOR DID NOT DETERMINE THE COMPLETE ORIGINATING NUMBER.

AM COPY BEING SENT MEMPHIS. END.