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Memorandum

TO : SAC(157-186)

DATE: 5-1-68

FROM : SA FREDERICK A JOHNS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Ref New York Tel 4-30-68(157-186-173 which contained lead to interview "MRS MORRISON area code 915 tel # 6781738. " This number was dialed and a Mr. D.A. DEPUE answered and advised This number was that of the Family Housing Management of White Sands Missile Range located at White Sands Missile Range,N.M. He state that his office handles some 800 housing units at White sands looking out for their rental,repair and maintaince.He stated that they have no one nmed MORRISON working at this office and noe one of this name in the index of their tenants. He stated that he did not know anyone of this name.

Included in FTS Phone Call and Follow up Airtel.

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TO : SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P) DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SA WALLACE A. CROSSMON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 5/1/68, through the use of telephone number 568-4975, it was determined that this telephone number was on the U. S. Army Base at Ft. Bliss, Texas, and that "Mr. LAW" was Specialist Fourth DOUGLAS L. LAW, RA 13 650 795. LAW is attached to the Medical Company, 3414 at William Beaumont General Hospital, Ft. Bliss, Texas. LAW advised that he travelled from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 4/6/68 via American Airlines Flight 338. LAW said that he sat in the rear of the plane on the left side with a seat on the aisle. IO # 4182 was exhibited to LAW, and he advised that he does not recall seeing JAMES EARL RAY or anyone that looked like him during the flight. LAW further noted that he was "under the weather" during the flight, and therefore, was not too alert.

On 5/1/68, it was determined that telephone number 568-1146 was the number of the airlines traffic office at Ft. Bliss, Texas.

On 5/1/68, Mrs. JODY FARMER, Ticket Salesman, Airlines Traffic Office, Ft. Bliss, Texas, made available for review the records contained in that office which concerned passengers who purchased tickets at that office for use on 4/6/68. A review of these records reflected that one Private P. I. REID had travelled on American Airlines Flight 82 from El Paso to Dallas, Texas, and on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Baltimore, Maryland on 4/6/68.

On 5/1/68, Mrs. ANN CAMERANO, Base Locator Section, Army Training Command, Ft. Bliss, Texas, advised that Private PAUL I. REID, RA [redacted], had been transferred from Ft. Bliss, Texas, to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Baltimore, Maryland, and was due to arrive there on 4/7/68. REID was to be assigned to the USAOC&S, Aberdeen

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Proving Grounds, Baltimore, Maryland.

On 5/1/68, Mr. J. M. CHAVEZ, 5914 Griems, El Paso, Texas (telephone number 778-8261) and Mr. CHARLIE M. VILLANUEVA, 447 St. Marys, El Paso, Texas (telephone number 598-8454) were both shown IO # 4182 concerning JAMES EARL RAY. Both CHAVEZ and VILLANUEVA advised that they did not know RAY, nor had they been in contact with anyone resembling him. VILLANUEVA and CHAVEZ both said that they have immediate relatives in the area of Marfa, Texas.

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DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA RALPH W. E. DECKER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 5/1/68, MR. JAMES H. BARRATT, 468 Barrett, phone 598-8018, stated he had received a phone call from his son-in-law, BILL HEARD, from Monahans, Texas, on December 17, 1967. He was on his way back to El Paso at this time and called to tell BARRATT he would be a little late due to the weather.

On 5/1/68, MR. RICHARD T. COPELAND, 6111 Sun Valley, Box 106, phone 751-5471, stated he received a phone call from his son who is in the Air Force at Sherman, Texas. This call took place about Xmas time, but COPELAND did not recall the exact date.

On 5/1/68, it was determined that MR. AND MRS. RONALD PARKER, now reside at 4901 Guadalupe.

MRS. MARY J. ROBERTS , landlord of the residence located at 4901 Guadalupe, stated that ROBERT ASHLEY formerly resided at this residence until February, 1968. She did not know ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ASHLEY'S FORWARDING ADDRESS, but stated he was in the U.S. Army and had been transferred to Germany. His wife returned someplace to the East coast.

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Date: 4/30/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) P

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Re Omaha tel to Bureau, 4/24/68 and mytel to Bureau, 4/29/68.

Enclosed for each office one copy of photo of ROBERT DALE PORTER, FBI #4590482, taken December, 1964, furnished by girlfriend of PORTER, CARMEN RAMAGE.

The following investigation was conducted in Oklahoma City by SAs DAVID J. LANG and MICHAEL F. HUTTER:

On 4/25/68, CARMEN E. RAMAGE, 1642 N.W. 12th, Apt. 1, advised that she first met ROBERT DALE PORTER five years ago in Kansas City in August. She stated that she had met him at the Belmont Bar, Kansas City, Mo. and they had spent the evening there at the Ship Bar. She advised that she had not seen PORTER since then to April 19, 1968. She stated that while he was serving time in the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) at Jefferson City, that numerous pieces of correspondence passed between them.

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RAMAGE stated that PORTER had remained in Oklahoma City from 4/19 and she had last seen him approximately 10 AM, 4/23/68. She stated that he must have left town or else he would have been in contact with her.

RAMAGE stated PORTER had told her that he had been in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and had traveled around the State of Iowa and that he had left his home in Waverly, Iowa taking with him his mother's ring which he had pawned and sent her the pawn ticket. PORTER further told her that he had been released from the MSP on 12/8/67 and that he had known JAMES EARL RAY while in the penitentiary. He stated that while in the Penitentiary that RAY had escaped from the penitentiary in a guard's uniform while he was working in the dry cleaning plant and that RAY had obtained this uniform from a guard who has since been fired. He stated that RAY and this guard were very close friends. She further stated that PORTER told her that RAY had not escaped in a bakery truck as the newspapers had reported. RAMAGE stated that she had sent a check, in February, 1968, in the amount of $23.00 to PORTER in Waverly so that he could obtain a bus ticket to come to Oklahoma City to see her. She stated that PORTER had called her from the bus depot in Oklahoma City approximately 7:30 PM 4/19/68 and told her that he was drinking with a person who had an amputated hand at the knuckles at Winnie's Bar which is located across the street from the bus depot.

RAMAGE stated that PORTER had possibly applied for employment as machinery operator at an automatic car wash in the 4000 block of North Pennsylvania or through the Key Personnel, 110 N. Robinson or at some Mortgage and Loan Company across the street from the city library. RAMAGE further advised that PORTER had told her that he had lost his luggage in Kansas City and was currently traveling without any luggage.

Continuous and intensive investigation was conducted to locate PORTER at Oklahoma City.

On 4/29/68, PORTER was located through an Oklahoma City PCI at the Blood Plasma Donor Center, 505 West Main, Oklahoma City and was subsequently interviewed furnishing the following information:

ROBERT DALE PORTER, temporarily residing at Hudson Hotel, Oklahoma City, stated that he had been in the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), Jefferson City, Mo. from June or July, 1961 through 9/1/62 and again from 3/2/64 until his

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release on 12/8/67. PORTER stated that upon his release from MSP, that he had gone to Waverly, Iowa to live at the residence of his mother, CLARA PORTER, 103-1/2 E. Bremer, Waverly.

PORTER stated that he left Waverly in the latter part of February, 1968 and the following is approximately his itinerary.

Waterloo, Iowa - where he remained approximately 2 days.

Des Moines, Iowa - remaining 3 to 4 days.

Cheyenne, Wy. - remaining 3 days.

Pocahontas, Iowa - over night with uncle HANS NIELSON.

Humble, Iowa - over night with uncle HANS PORTER.

Aplington, Iowa - over night where he contacted his brother-in-law's mother and brother, LOUELLA and MELVIN ACKER.

Iowa City, Iowa - remaining approx. one week. While there he pawned a man's black face ring at the Hock-Eye Pawn Shop for $7 on 3/11/68. PORTER resided he believes at the Berkley Hotel, where the bus station is located and left town on 3/11/68.

Storm Lake,Iowa - remaining approx. 2 days.

Red Oak, Iowa - over night. Porter resided at the hotel across the street from the Police Dept.

PORTER then hitchhiked to Barstow, Calif. leaving approx. 10 AM, one day and arriving in Barstow early the next evening. This ride was with a mechanic from Marshal Town, Iowa. That same date, PORTER hitched a ride to Visalia, Calif. with a girlfriend employed at Nellis AFB, Las Vegas, Nev., arriving Visalia that evening. PORTER stayed at Visalia approximately one week and visited with his daughter, VICTORIA RAY PORTER. He stated VICTORIA is residing with a JOSIE ACOSTA PORTER who is living with a CHUCK (LNU). JOSIE, PORTER's ex-wife, resides at 124 N.W. 1st, Visalia.

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PORTER then spent two or three days hitchhiking to Nevada where he stayed over night.

Las Vegas, Nev. - where PORTER stayed at the McDonald Hotel, approximately 3 nights.

Salt Lake City - remaining 2 nights.

Laramie, Wy. - remaining one night.

Denver, Colo. - where PORTER visited with a BETTY LOU LUCAS, 3626 Perry Street.

PORTER hitchhiked from Denver to Colorado Springs, Colo. with a PHILLIP E. MEHL, 432 W. Bijou, where he remained for 2 or 3 days.

Albuquerque, N.M. - PORTER resided at Albuquerque for 2 to 3 days and contacted a ROSE SINKEY, who formerly resided in Waverly, Iowa.

Las Cruces, N.M. - PORTER spent approx. 2 days traveling from Las Cruses to Van Horn, Texas where he resided at the only hotel in town over night.

Fort Worth, Texas - PORTER resided for approximately 2 days at a cheap motel located near the bus depot.

Durant, Oklahoma - residing over night.

McAlester, Oklahoma - PORTER resided with a couple that live behind a cab stand for two days.

Canadian, Oklahoma - residing one day, while there PORTER helped an individual paint 55-gallon oil drums for use on his boat dock.

PORTER then went to Miami, Oklahoma where he resided one night at the St. James Hotel.

PORTER traveled by bus from Miami, Oklahoma to Carthage, Missouri stopping for approx. one hour in Joplin, Mo. While in Joplin, PORTER attempted to contact a ROGER ZINN, a former convict but stated he was unable to do so. PORTER stated that he recalls while waiting in the bus depot that he heard of the assasination of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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While in Carthage, PORTER contacted a BETTY ELLIOTT, 901 Fulton St., while attempting to contact a girl he had known in 1947.

PORTER traveled to Warsaw, Mo. staying overnight. While in Warsaw, he contacted a JACK LANPHERE by telephone and stated he wanted to see LANPHERE, that he wanted to borrow money from him. LANPHERE advised that he was unable to get into town because of his parole status.

PORTER traveled to Columbia, Mo. where he was a sleeper at the Police Dept. and the next day contacted an uncle, MARION MURRAY, 102 Thistledown Dr., Columbia.

PORTER then traveled to California, Mo. and attempted to locate a LEWIS BARGEON who had been in the MSP Maximum Security with PORTER. He was unable to contact him but stayed overnight at California, Mo.

PORTER then traveled to Maysville, Mo. where he resided at the Lincoln Hotel overnight and contacted Sheriff O. L. Maddox.

St. Joseph, Mo. - PORTER checked in at a small hotel but met a person, name unrecalled, in a bar and they then went to Kansas City, Mo. by car and stayed at the Gladstone Hotel. PORTER met with a MIKE COX at a bar on 9th St. in downtown, Kansas City, Mo. While with MIKE COX, he and COX drove on a Sunday to St. Louis, Mo. attempting to contact a LAWRENCE MOBLEY, a former convict described as a large Negro male. They were unable to contact MOBLEY. They contacted a Mrs. RICHARD PESEK, a sister-in-law of BETTY REITTER, the mother of a illegitimate son of PORTER by the name fo THOMAS DALE REITTER.

COX and PORTER returned to Kansas City that evening which he believes was a Sunday.

PORTER then traveled from Kansas City to Oklahoma City hitching a ride with two young boys from Peculiar, Mo. PORTER stated he believes that this was on 4/19/68. PORTER resided with a CARMEN RAMAGE, 1642 N.W. 12th, Oklahoma City until approx. 4/23/68 when he left hitching a ride with a Naval Lieutenant to Long Beach, Calif.

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PORTER stayed one day in Los Angeles at the bus depot and left Los Angeles on Friday.

PORTER arrived Oklahoma City Saturday night 4/27/68 where he stayed with a LLOYD HISE, 2728 N.W. 39th.

On 4/28/68, PORTER drove HISE and his pickup truck to Ft. Smith, Ark. and hitchhiked back arriving approx. 1 PM.

PORTER stated that while incarcerated in the MSP, that JAMES EARL RAY known to him as JIMMY RAY was involved in selling amphetamines to his fellow inmates. He stated that a JOHN STOUT, an ex-guard in the MSP was his source of these amphetamines. PORTER stated that STOUT and RAY were very good friends.

PORTER stated that RAY was extremely quiet, was a person who did not take much from anyone. He stated that to his knowledge RAY has taken amphetamines but had never taken any hard narcotics.

He further stated that whenever RAY was pushed around that he would retaliate fiercely. PORTER stated that on two previous occasions RAY had attempted to escape from the MSP - once by going over the wall and once when he hid in a ventilator shaft and subsequently broke his elbow. PORTER stated that RAY had never mentioned to him where he was from or where he would go when he got out of prison.

He further stated that RAY had never indicated that he disliked Negroes and to PORTER's knowledge was even associated with several while in the penitentiary. PORTER stated that he was leaving Oklahoma City on 4/29/68 and was hitchhiking to the home of his mother in Waverly where he would obtain work as a construction worker.

PORTER is described as follows:

Name	ROBERT DALE PORTER
DPOB	[redacted], Clarinda, Iowa
Height	6'
Weight	175
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Gray, in a crew cut
Social Security No.	[redacted]
Scars and marks	Tattoos - "BETO" back of right hand

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	"Sufrendo Es Mi Destino" back of right hand; "Mom" and "Dad" left outer forearm; Air Force wings with "AAF" above on left bicep; 6" scar outer, upper right arm; 4 to 5" tattoo removal scar right outer forearm with letter "P" over scar; ½" vertical scar left upper lip.
Glasses:	Wears prescription dark glasses, tinted green.
Military:	U. S. Navy 1943 to 12-29-43; Army Air Force 12-19-45 to 8-21-46; U. S. Air Force, 7-19-47 to 1948
Arrest record:	1948 burglary, Arizona; 1949 Statutory Rape, Iowa; 1952 Escape, Iowa; 1958 Checks, Texas, Terminal Island, California; 1961 Checks, Missouri; 1962 Checks, Iowa; 1964 Armed Robbery, Missouri
Sister:	Mrs. THOMAS DeGROOT, 1608 East Street Cedar Falls, Iowa.

LEADS:

EL PASO DIVISION

At Van Horn, Texas

Will attempt to ascertain date or dates PORTER resided at hotel in Van Horn, Texas. It is noted PORTER states he believes he was in Joplin, Missouri at the time of KING's murder, however, his presence 4-12-68 in Warsaw, Missouri has been verified. It would therefore appear from a review of PORTER's itinerary that he was possibly in Van Horn, Texas at the time of KING's murder. In the event it is ascertained by El Paso that PORTER was not in Van Horn, Texas at time of KING's murder, then El Paso should set out appropriate leads, from the itinerary furnished by PORTER, in order to establish his whereabouts on 4-4-68.

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

At Jefferson City, Missouri

Will attempt to locate and interview JOHN STOUT for any information re subject RAY.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)
MURKIN
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PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER 338

Re FTS tel call from EP to NK, 5/2/68 and NY airtel dated 4/30/68 to BA, DL, EP, OC, PH, PX, RH and WFO, which teletype has been received by NK office.

New York teletype indicated that one of the tourist passengers on American Airlines Flight 338 which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, was Mrs. ROSE TEERESHKO, telephone number 591-2553, El Paso, Texas.

On 5/1/68, WALLACE J. CAMP, Manager, Texas State Optical Co., residing 9100 El Dorado Drive, El Paso, Texas, advised that he has telephone number 591-2553 and that his mother-in-law is Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, who is currently located at the residence of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, 602 Jefferson, Blackwood, New Jersey.

LEAD

NEWARK DIVISION

AT BLACKWOOD, NEW JERSEY:

Will contact Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO in care of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, 602 Jefferson, Blackwood, New Jersey, to determine if any individual on above mentioned American Airlines flight was identical to subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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2 - Newark (RAM)
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)(RAM)
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FTS call made at 8:21 a.m., 5/2/68, to Supervisor ROBERT STROUD, Newark Office, by SA FREDERICK A. JOHNS, who conducted the investigation.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

MURKIN

PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 338

Reference is made to FTS tel call from EP to NF, 5/1/68. This call transmitted the following:

New York teletype to Baltimore, Dallas, El Paso, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Richmond and WFO, dated 4/30/68, contained the following:

Re OC tel to the Director, dated 4/26/68.

Mrs. DONOVAN WOODSIDE (protect identity), 309 Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, was re-interviewed and IO #4182 displayed to her. Mrs. WOODSIDE said the individual she saw on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, very strongly resembled RAY and she believed him to be identical with RAY. She stated she first noticed this individual in Love Field Terminal, American Airlines waiting area a few moments prior to boarding this flight. Mrs. WOODSIDE could not locate her ticket stub but believed she occupied Seat 14-C, an aisle seat on left side of plane in tourist section and that the above individual occupied the aisle seat one row up on the right. Mrs. WOODSIDE said this individual did not get off the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, and did not converse with anyone on plane and carried no luggage. She informed he deplaned at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and she lost sight of him when her husband met her at the airport.

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A representative of American Airlines, furnished the names of persons traveling tourist class on American Airlines, Flight 338, which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, at 9:05 a.m. and made one stop at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, before arriving at Philadelphia 1:31 same date.

These names included the following:

"Mrs. WEBB, area code 915, telephone number 565-5530", El Paso, Texas.

The El Paso Telephone Directory listed number 565-5530 to Sgt. WILLIE WEBB, JR., residing 3910 Taft, El Paso, Texas. Upon dialing this number, it was learned that this was not a working number.

SAM STEWART, 112th MI Group, Ft. Bliss, Texas, advised on 5/1/68, that Sgt. WILLIE WEBB, JR. was separated from the U. S. Army on 4/6/68, and left as a forwarding address, #1 Tillerson, Newport News, Virginia.

The following information obtained on 5/1/68, from GUS HILL (protect identity), Unit Manager, Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co., was not included in the FTS telephone call but is being set forth here as confirming information of possible value:

E-5 WILLIE WEBB, JR., ASN US 526 725 79, residing Apt. #6, 3910 Taft, El Paso, Texas, had service from January, 1968, to 3/29/68. He was attached to the 581st Transportation Support Group. Upon discontinuing his telephone service, he left as a forwarding address in care of Mr. WILLIE WEBB, SR., father, #1 Tillerson Drive, Newport News, Virginia.

LEAD

NORFOLK DIVISION

AT NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA:

Will attempt to locate and interview "Mrs. WEBB", in care of WILLIE WEBB, JR. and/or SR., #1 Tillerson Drive,

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Newport News, Virginia, to determine if the individual mentioned above on American Airlines Flight 338 is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Above FTS telephone call was made at 2:50 p.m., 5/1/68, to PAUL ODOM of the Norfolk Office by SA FREDERICK A. JOHNS, who conducted the above investigation.

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MURKIN

PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 338

Re FTS tel call from EP to AQ, 5/2/68, which furnished the following:

By teletype dated 4/30/68, from New York to Baltimore, Dallas, El Paso, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Richmond and WFO, the following information was set forth:

Mrs. DONOVAN WOODSIDE (protect identity), 309 Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, was re-interviewed and IO #4182 displayed to her. Mrs. WOODSIDE said the individual she saw on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, very strongly resembled RAY and she believed him to be identical with RAY. She stated she first noticed this individual in Love Field Terminal, American Airlines waiting area a few moments prior to boarding this flight. Mrs. WOODSIDE could not locate her ticket stub but believed she occupied Seat 14-C, an aisle seat on left side of plane in tourist section and that the above individual occupied the aisle seat one row up on the right. Mrs. WOODSIDE said this individual did not get off the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, and did not converse with anyone on the plane and carried no luggage. She informed that he deplaned at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and she lost sight of him when her husband met her at the airport. A report of American Airlines of persons traveling tourist class on American Airlines Flight 338 which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, at 9:05 a.m. and made one stop at Friendship Airport, Baltimore before arriving at Philadelphia, 1:31 same date, included the following:

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"Mrs. MORRISON, area code 915, telephone number 678-1738", El Paso, Texas

El Paso telephone 678-1738 was dialed on 5/1/68. A Mr. D. A. DEPUE answered and advised:

This number was that of the family housing management of White Sands Missile Range located at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. This office handles some 800 housing units at White Sands looking out for their rental, repair and maintenance. This office has no one named MORRISON working there and no one of this name is in the indices of tenants. Mr. DEPUE did not know anyone of this name.

LEAD

ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION

AT WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, NEW MEXICO:

Will endeavor to locate and interview "Mrs. MORRISON, El Paso, Texas, telephone number 678-1738" to determine if above mentioned individual is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Above FTS long distance call made 9:14 a.m., 5/2/68, to ASAC CONROY by SA FREDERICK A. JOHNS, who conducted instant investigation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SA DAVID J. REID

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SAC, EL PASO (157-186)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: Carl Ray
Pecos, Texas

At 11:50 A.M., May 3, 1968, Supervisor BILL NOLAN, Los Angeles, telephonically advised as follows:

On this date, an individual who generally resembled subject RAY tried to turn in two Frontier Airlines tickets at the United Airlines Counter in Los Angeles for a ticket to Hawaii. When the ticket agent took his credit card and the tickets to look them over, the individual walked away. The items left with the ticket agent were a Frontier Airlines Air Travel Credit Card [redacted] issued 4/26/68 to Carl Ray of the Ray Land and Cattle Company, Route 4, Box 868, Pecos, Texas, and two Frontier Airlines tickets purchased May 1, 1968 at Denver, one to C. Ray and one to Mrs. C. Ray, for passage between Las Vegas and St. Louis.

NOLAN is contacting Denver concerning the credit card, as Frontier Airlines has its office at Denver.

LEADS

EL PASO:

AT PECOS, TEXAS:

Will determine first if there is a real CARL RAY at Pecos and secondly if he is possibly identical with subject RAY.

See serials 210, 213, 214, 216, 223, 226, 233, 251, 257, 285
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(2) - El Paso

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If you can't get to Carl,
consider calling Sheriff
"a 1½" hail. (Deputy Sheriff Bob
Phillips, Pecos, C.S. contacted
at 3:25 pm 5/3/68
by SA Stokes) R

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Rick
Wendie

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TELETYPE (TELEPHONIC) URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
SAC ALBUQUERQUE AND
SAC EL PASO (157-186)

FROM: SAC DALLAS (44-2649)(4 P)

MURKIN.

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS.

RE DALLAS TELS APRIL THIRTY AND MAY ONE LAST.

THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL TELEPHONE CALLS HAVE BEEN DETERMINED AND SHOULD BE HANDLED AS PREVIOUSLY INSTRUCTED:

ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION.

FOLLOWING CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS:

DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, SEVEN TWENTYEIGHT PM, SEVEN FOUR FIVE - THREE THREE EIGHT SIX, LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, SEVEN THIRTYSEVEN AM, FIVE TWO SIX - TWO TWO FIVE EIGHT, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.

EL PASO DIVISION.

1 - El Paso (AM)(CONF)
1 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)
1 - Dallas
BSH/jc
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Done
See serial 218
Prepare special memo with specific leads & be assigned
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FOLLOWING CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS:

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, ELEVEN THIRTYSEVEN PM, FIVE SIX THREE - TWO ONE ZERO ZERO, TERMINAL, TEXAS;

22 DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, ELEVEN FIFTY PM, FIVE FOUR FOUR - ONE ONE EIGHT ONE, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST, TWELVE TWELVE AM, FIVE FOUR TWO - ONE THREE EIGHT FIVE, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, TWELVE FORTY PM, SEVEN SEVEN TWO - TWO EIGHT NINE ONE, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, EIGHT FORTYTHREE PM, THREE THREE SIX - FIVE THREE ONE THREE, FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, TWELVE TWENTYTHREE PM, THREE THREE TWO - FIVE TWO ONE THREE, ODESSA, TEXAS;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, THREE THIRTYSIX PM, THREE SIX FOUR - FIVE TWO FOUR ZERO, CALAMITY CREEK, TEXAS;

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DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST, NINE ZERO TWO AM, FIVE THREE TWO - THREE FIVE TWO EIGHT, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, ELEVEN FORTYFOUR AM, FIVE THREE THREE - ZERO FIVE ZERO TWO, EL PASO, TEXAS;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, NINE THIRTYTHREE PM, THREE SIX SIX - ZERO SEVEN THREE THREE, ODESSA, TEXAS;

DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST, FOUR ZERO THREE PM, SEVEN TWO NINE - FOUR ZERO FOUR ONE, MARFA, TEXAS;

DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, ELEVEN ZERO EIGHT PM, FIVE EIGHT SIX - FIVE THREE NINE THREE, KERMIT, TEXAS;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, EIGHT FORTYONE PM, NINE FOUR THREE - FOUR ONE ONE SIX, MONAHANS, TEXAS;

DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, SEVEN FIFTYFOUR PM, FIVE EIGHT SIX - SIX SEVEN EIVE EIGHT, KERMIT, TEXAS;

DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, SEVEN TWELVE PM, FIVE SIX THREE - TWO ONE ZERO ZERO, TERMINAL, TEXAS;

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DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, ONE FIFTYTWO PM, TELEPHONE NO. TWO ZERO, OJINAGA, MEXICO, STATE OF CHIHUAHUA.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM.

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Above info telephonically furnished to _____, El Paso, on 5/3/68, at _____ m. by _____, Dallas.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, EL PASO (157-186) DATE: 5/2/68

FROM : SA ROBERT R. FOLTZ

SUBJECT: MURRIN

Re SAC memo, 4/30/68.

Telephone Number 533-5685
Lead #8

Mrs. Sarah Gamboa, 510 Los Angeles St., advised on 5/1/68, that she and her 15 year old son reside at that address. She said she cannot recall receiving a long distance telephone call in December, 1967. She observed the wanted flyer on Ray and said she has never seen this man before. Mrs. Gamboa was interviewed with the assistance of an interpreter.

Telephone Number 532-8697
Lead # 13

Francisco Escobar, 807 Upson, advised on 5/1/68, that he and his wife reside at that address. He could not recall receiving a long distance call in December, 1967. He observed the wanted flyer on Ray and said he has never seen this individual before.

With regard to a reference on a Francisco Escobar, (98-275-4) the reference is possibly identical but is not derogatory.

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Date: 5/3/68

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Butel to EP, HQ, and SA, 4/25/68;
DL tel to the Bureau and EP, 5/1/68.

RE: TELEPHONE CALLS BY SUBJECT RAY ENROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS

SA JACK KEMMY, San Antonio Office, was advised by FTS telephone call on 5/3/68, that referenced Dallas teletype contained a lead on page 6 for the San Antonio Office, which is as follows:

A telephone call was made from a coin telephone in Alpine, Texas, on 12/17/67, at 10:16 a.m., to telephone number 849-4461, Roma, Texas.

SA KEMMY advised that the lead would be handled by the San Antonio Office.

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3-Bureau
1-Birmingham (44-1740) (Info)
1-Memphis (44-1987) (Info)
2-San Antonio (44-1242)
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