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Date: **May 21, 1968**

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Via **Airtel** \_\_\_\_\_  
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To: All SACs  
LEGATS, Mexico City  
Ottawa

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

**MURKIN**

For your information and investigative assistance, subject James Earl Ray has been known to consort with prostitutes and "street bums." A photograph of subject was obtained from a prostitute in Mexico. This photograph showing subject wearing sunglasses was previously forwarded to your office.

This should be borne in mind in your daily contact with informants, officers of vice squads and prostitutes in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.

**Armed and dangerous.**

*send to all Legats* **157-186-312**

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6:18PM URGENT 5-23-68 WPS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), DALLAS (44-2649) AND LOS ANGELES (44-1574)  
FROM EL PASO (157-186) -P- 3P

✓MURKIN.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE ON GREYHOUND BUS ENROUTE FROM TULSA, OKLA. TO DALLAS, MAY TWENTYTWO LAST, WHO IMPLICATED SELF ALONG WITH GROUP OF TWENTY IN KING ASSASSINATION.

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SENT DL 6:12 pm. REC'D JDP  
SENT LA 6:18 pm. REC'D BCD

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Date: 5/23/68

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND  
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SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186)

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FBI LOS ANG.

10:54PM URGENT 5-23-68 REF  
TO PHOENIX, DALLAS AND EL PASO  
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 3P

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RE LOS ANGELES TELCALL TO PHOENIX TODAY; EL PASO TEL TO  
BUREAU, DALLAS AND LOS ANGELES TODAY.

GREYHOUND BUS LEAVING DALLAS ELEVEN TEN PM ACCORDING TO  
COMPANY IS NUMBER ONE NINE THREE FOUR DUE TO ARRIVE PHOENIX  
NINE THIRTY FIVE PM YOUR TIME TONIGHT. ARRIVES LOS ANGELES  
SIX TEN AM MAY TWENTY FOUR NEXT. REFERENCED TEL FROM EL PASO  
FOLLOWS:

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PHOENIX HANDLE LEAD SET OUT FOR LOS ANGELES.

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1159PM 5/23/68 URGENT JDD

TO DIRECTOR, EL PASO, DALLAS, LOS ANGELES, MEMPHIS(AIRMAIL)  
FROM PHOENIX (44-371)

MURKIN.

RELA TEL TO PX , DALLAS, AND EL PASO, AND EL PASO TEL  
TO BUREAU, DALLAS AND LA INSTANT DATE.

GREYHOUND BUS NUMBER ONE THREE NINE FOUR, ENROUTE FROM  
DALLAS TO LOS ANGELES, MET AT PHOENIX GREYHOUND STATION AT NINE  
THIRTYFIVE PM INSTANT AT WHICH TIME NO ONE FITTING UNSUB'S  
DESCRIPTION ON BUS. GREYHOUND DRIVER G.R. RULE ADVISED NO ONE  
FITTING UNSUB'S DESCRIPTION ON BUS WHEN HE BECAME DRIVER FOUR  
HUNDRED FIFTYKILES EAST OF PHOENIX. PASSENGER LESLIE WHITMORE,

GREYHOUND BAGGAGE COLLECTOR, WHO BOARDED ABOVE BUS AT DALLAS, ADVISED  
NO PERSON ON BUS WHO FITTED UNSUB'S DESCRIPTION FROM DALLAS TO  
PHOENIX. PASSENGER JAMES D. STOREY, WHO BOARDED ABOVE BUS AT  
MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS, PRIOR TO DALLAS STOP, ADVISED NO PERSON ON  
BUS WHO FITTED UNSUB'S DESCRIPTION FROM MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS TO  
PHOENIX. DRIVER RULE FURIHAR ADVISED MANY BUSES DEPART DALLAS  
AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN TEN PM, MAY TWENTYTWO LAST.

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DALLAS DIVISION WILL CHECK WITH GREYHOUND OFFICIALS AT DALLAS AND DETERMINE OTHER BUSES WHICH MAY HAVE DEPARTED TERMINAL AT ELEVEN TEN PM, MAY TWENTYTWO LAST, SPECIFICALLY IF BUS NUMBER ONE NINE THREE FOUR, MENTIONED IN RE LA TEL, HAD DEPARTED THAT TIME.

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REPORTING OFFICE <b>EL PASO</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>MEMPHIS</b>	DATE <b>5/24/68</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>5/16/68</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>MURKIN</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA DAVID J. REID</b>	TYPED BY <b>sl</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>CIVIL RIGHTS</b>	

### REFERENCES

NO airtel to ME, 5/7/68;  
 MO airtel to EP, 5/13/68;  
 EP airtel to ME, 5/17/68.

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CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		
							PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
							PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: SA DAVID J. REID Office: EL PASO  
Date: May 24, 1968  
Field Office File #: EP 157-186 Bureau File #: 44-38861  
Title: MURKIN

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis: On 5/16/68, Captain and Mrs. HENRY J. SHERRILL, 2500 Nations Avenue, El Paso, Texas, advised that they stayed at the Provincial Motel in New Orleans, Louisiana, in 12/67, but did not recall seeing anyone who resembled subject JAMES EARL RAY. SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF ROBBERY WITH DEADLY WEAPON, HAS BEEN CONFINED IN STATE HOSPITAL, FULTON, MISSOURI IN 1966, AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

Information was received from the New Orleans Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that Mrs. HENRY J. SHERRILL, 301 Woodland Avenue, Mobile, Alabama, had registered on December 17, 1967 at the Provincial Hotel, 1024 Chartres Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA:

On May 10, 1968, Mr. ELMORE SONNIER, 301 Woodland Avenue, Mobile, advised that his daughter and son-in-law, Captain and Mrs. HENRY J. SHERRILL, stayed at the Provincial Hotel in New Orleans during December, 1967, and were currently residing at 2500 Nations Avenue, El Paso, Texas.

AT EL PASO, TEXAS:

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL S. PULLEN:

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On May 16, 1968, Captain and Mrs. HENRY J. SHERRILL, 2500 Nations Avenue, El Paso, advised that they stayed at the Provincial Hotel in New Orleans in December, 1967, exact date not recalled. After viewing a photograph of subject JAMES EARL RAY, they advised that they did not recall seeing anyone who resembled RAY during the time that they stayed at the Provincial Hotel.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, EL PASO (157-186)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA ROBERT R. FOLTZ

SUBJECT: ✓ MURKIN

On 5/16/68, Mary Lou Cauller and Rose Mary Schiffino, tellers at the El Paso Federal Savings and Loan Assn., 517 N. Kansas St., witnesses in the only unsolved El Paso bank robbery during the pertinent period, observed photographs of James Earl Ray and advised that he is not identical with the unknown subject.

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Date: 5/21/68

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Via AIRTEL URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
 FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)  
 RE: MURKIN  
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Re Bureau 5/25/68, to El Paso, et al, advising that each office should determine from the telephone company the long distance calls placed at each public telephone on U. S. Highway 90 and Interstate Highway 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67. Subject reportedly made eight long distance telephone calls while in Texas.

Set forth by Field Division are some of the telephone calls made from the San Antonio Division, 12/15-17/67, which were obtained from available Southwestern Bell Telephone Company records. The various Field Divisions will determine from the subscriber or person receiving the call the identity of the caller. If the caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain all available information. Further, determine if the subscriber or the person receiving the call has any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY.

Unless information is developed during the course of the investigation requested above which pertains to the San Antonio Division, it is not necessary to advise the San Antonio Division of the results.

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SA 44-1242

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<u>BIRMINGHAM</u>			
12/15/67	223-0232	205-324-8051	Birmingham, Alabama
12/17/67	661-9063	205-734-7304	Cullman, Alabama
12/16/67	674-9761	205-881-2057	Huntsville, Ala.
<u>DALLAS</u>			
12/15/67	432-9020	817-283-1546	Eules-Hurst, Texas
12/15/67	875-9029	817-294-5422	Burleson, Texas
12/15/67	432-9224	817-626-5763	Fort Worth, Texas
12/17/67	223-7735	817-834-4482	Fort Worth, Texas
12/17/67	278-9013	915-396-4655	Menard, Texas
12/15/67	223-7892	915-399-0113	Luther, Texas
12/15/67	223-8000	915-653-9748	San Angelo, Texas
12/16/67	875-9030	915-692-0695	Abilene, Texas
<u>EL PASO</u>			
12/16/67	278-9093	915-598-2010	El Paso, Texas
12/17/67	674-9761	915-828-1819	Guadalupe Peak, Tex.
12/17/67	278-9041	915-837-4486	Alpine, Texas
<u>KANSAS CITY</u>			
12/17/67	674-9104	816-231-2992	Kansas City, Missouri From SAM DANIEL

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>NUMBER CALLED</u>	<u>PLACE AND/OR PERSON CALLED</u>
<u>KNOXVILLE</u>			
12/17/67	674-9914	615-588-2564	Knoxville, Tenn.
<u>MEMPHIS</u>			
12/16/67	379-9953	615-896-2776	Murfreesboro, Tenn. to BETTY STANLEY
<u>MOBILE</u>			
12/16/67	674-9693	205-368-2394	Atmore, Alabama
12/17/67	674-9603	205-471-3762	Mobile, Alabama
12/16/67	661-9063	205-943-5784	Foley, Alabama
<u>RICHMOND</u>			
12/17/67	674-9724	703-356-4286	McLean, Virginia
12/17/67	674-9724	703-356-4286	McLean, Virginia
<u>SACRAMENTO</u>			
12/17/67	538-9598	209-251-1137	Fresno, California
12/17/67	563-9747	209-834-3541	Fowler, California
<u>TAMPA</u>			
12/17/67	674-9761	813-294-5795	Winter Haven, Fla.
<u>SAN ANTONIO</u>			
12/16/67	278-9086	817-546-3241	Chilton, Texas
12/15/67	674-9915	817-753-3090	Waco, Texas

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<u>SAN ANTONIO</u>			
12/15/67	278-9088	817-754-8205	Waco, Texas
12/17/67	432-9277	817-634-5911	Killeen, Texas
12/16/67	432-9665	915-452-5885	Richland Springs, Texas
12/17/67	432-9665	915-452-5885	Richland Springs, Texas.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, EL PASO (157-186)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA DAVID J. REID

SUBJECT: ✓ MURKIN

RE TELEPHONE CALLS BY JAMES EARL RAY BETWEEN LOS ANGELES  
AND NEW ORLEANS.

San Antonio airtel to the Director dated 5/21/68 (See serial 318) set a lead out regarding a telephone call made on 12/16/67 from telephone number 278-9093 to telephone number 915-598-2010, El Paso, Texas.

The El Paso crisscross directory lists 598-2010 to PAUL WATSON, 419 St. Marys Drive, El Paso.

On 5/24/68, Mr. PAUL WATSON, mentioned above, advised that his in-laws made a trip from Houston, Texas, to El Paso, Texas, in the middle of December, 1967, and that, while enroute, they ran into some bad weather. He said they made a long distance call from somewhere along the route and that this telephone call was undoubtedly the call mentioned above.

Mr. WATSON was displayed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, at which time he said he had never had any contact, either direct or indirect, with RAY and did not know him.

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# Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

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

SUBJECT: ✓ MURKIN

DATE: 5/24/68

Noted that photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE, FBI #455 876 6, were furnished to all offices and were disseminated to other law enforcement agencies in the El Paso Division. RIFE was an associate in crime along with JAMES EARL RAY in the 1950's and the Bureau was interested in locating RIFE to interview him regarding this matter.

The Kansas City Office has advised that WALTER TERRY RIFE has been located and interviewed. Therefore, there is no reason for continued efforts to be on the alert for RIFE.

All Agents are requested to return the photographs of RIFE to the CCO. In addition, all Agents in contact with law enforcement agencies should advise these agencies that the FBI is no longer interested in locating RIFE.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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*Note - For serial 117 Agents who delivered photos of Rife to law enforcement officers were instructed, on their copies of this memo, to advise these officers that Rife is no longer being sought for questioning.*

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA DAVID J. REID

SUBJECT: ✓ MURKIN

Noted that the newspaper mats and proofs regarding JAMES EARL RAY which were furnished by the Bureau have been made available to the below listed newspapers:

Alpine Avalanche, Alpine, Texas

Andrews County News, Andrews, Texas

Big Bend Sentinel, Marfa, Texas

Crane County News, Crane, Texas

El Correo Newspaper, Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

El Fronterizo Newspaper, Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

El Paso Herald Post, El Paso, Texas

El Paso Times, El Paso, Texas

Ft. Stockton Pioneer, Ft. Stockton, Texas

Midland Reporter-Telegram, Midland, Texas

Monahans News, Monahans, Texas

McCamey News, McCamey, Texas

Odessa-American News, Odessa, Texas

Pecos Daily News, Pecos, Texas

Pecos Independent, Pecos, Texas

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Stanton Reporter, Stanton, Texas

Van Horn Advocate, Van Horn, Texas

Kermit Daily Sun, Kermit, Texas

Winkler County Bulletin, Kermit, Texas

Winkler County News, Kermit, Texas

Sun Publishing Company, El Paso, Texas

West Texan, Odessa, Texas

The Midland Flare, Midland, Texas

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