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FERRALL LEE MC CORMICK, SR., 5008 Highway 80 West, Jackson (north of Highway 80), employed Noble Drilling Company (off-shore oil rig) with offices at New Orleans, Louisiana). MC CORMICK works seven days on the rig and is home seven days.

JAMES EDWARD MC KAY, 5134 Andover Drive, Jackson, Mississippi, (four blocks north of West Capitol Street, just east of Flag Chapel Road), employed as truck driver, Thornton's Drivers Service, 4115 Northview Drive, Jackson, Miss., employed as long distance truck driver traveling throughout the country.

GATHO OVERBY, 2779 Emerald Drive, Jackson, near Appleridge Shopping Center in Southwest Jackson, just beyond Brookwood Drive.

WILLIAM THOMAS PICKEL, 715 Evergreen, Jackson (two blocks north of Battlefield Park and east of Terry Road), employed Design Division, State Highway Department, Jackson.

BENNIE WILL WALDRUP, 184 Longino, Jackson (just north of West Capitol Street), employment - self-employed as a painter.

WILLIAM HENRY WATKINS, 3549 Ridgecrest Drive, Jackson (two blocks east of Terry Road near Leavell Woods Methodist Church). Employed at Hold'em Gate Company, Incorporated, with offices at Oneonta, Alabama.

The above addresses and employments appear to be the latest information in the files of the Jackson Office.

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This information should be utilized in spot-checking bomber suspects and if any new residences or employments are determined through investigation, the information should be included in this file as well as other appropriate files.

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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

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Also located in that bait shop was a brown paper bag bearing the trademark "Homestead; Stubby; 20; 31K7", which is used to package six-packs of beer by the bait shop personnel.

This bait shop is located exactly three miles south from the Oliver Drugstore, Highway 51, Whitehaven, Tennessee.

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(1-Package) (RM AM) *D*
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Atlanta (Info)
1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info)

1 - Los Angeles (Info)
② - Jackson

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The Laboratory is requested to examine both items to determine the tool mark dating the beer can and the paper bag are identical with those previously submitted by Memphis. The Laboratory is requested to advise interested offices. The items need not be returned.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA JOHN L. PUDDISTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On April 11, 1968, Inspector JOSEPH A. SULLIVAN telephonically advised that he did not desire that any negative type investigation, which eliminates local Jackson suspects, be sent to Memphis. He advised that negative type information should be indexed and filed at Jackson rather than be furnished to Memphis.

In view of the above, the attached FD302 interview with ROBERT EARL DAVIS has been marked for indexing in the Jackson files.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 16, 1968

Mr. ROBERT EARL DAVIS, 101 McLaurin Drive, advised he is employed by the Mid-Valley Pipeline in Oxford, Mississippi, and in connection with his duties, holds a private pilot's license to fly company planes. He explained that he spends a lot of his time around the University - Oxford Airport and stated that on the morning of April 8, 1968, he was at the lobby in the airport where he observed an unknown white male in the lobby and stated he believes this person had just arrived on a Southern Airlines flight from Memphis, Tennessee. He advised he struck up a conversation with this person and recalls this individual claimed he was an Eastern Airlines pilot who flies DC-8 aircraft. He stated that during his conversation with this person, he was of the opinion that he was not an airline pilot since he apparently did not know much about flying. He also recalls this individual questioned him concerning the cost of a small plane.

DAVIS stated that this person used the Hertz Rent-A-Car telephone located at the lobby of the airport and talked with someone in Tupelo, Mississippi. DAVIS advised he was somewhat suspicious of this person at this time and stated he picked up an extension phone and heard only a brief portion of their conversation. He recalls the person remarked over the telephone, "I'm here; I'm not in Tupelo." He stated that sometime thereafter, someone driving a white Buick picked this person up at the airport and DAVIS assumed this was the person he contacted in Tupelo, Mississippi.

DAVIS stated that during the period of time this person was waiting around the airport, he observed him carrying a blue flight bag with a name stenciled on the side which he believes was either GAULT or GOLT.

On 4/13/68 at Oxford, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586

by SA ROBIN O. COTTEN /blw Date dictated 4/15/68

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He advised that earlier on April 13, 1968, he had observed a composit drawing of the person responsible for the shooting of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in Memphis, Tennessee, and stated this was apparently some artist's conception drawn by a newspaper in Memphis. He stated that as he recalled this person, the composit drawing compares favorably with this individual. He described this individual as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 32
Height	Six feet
Weight	180
Hair	Brown, short and wavy with receding hairline.

DAVIS stated this person was well dressed and wearing a brown suit.

DAVIS advised he had not seen this individual prior to this occasion in the University - Oxford Airport.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)
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Re telephone call from MARY ANN HOWARD, Leland, Mississippi, to Inspector ZACHARY, Memphis PD, this date.

Miss MARY ANN HOWARD, 704 Edwards Avenue, Leland, Mississippi, advised SA JOHN WILLIAM NEELLEY and SA WILLIAM C. MEARNs on 4/18/68 that she had a male guest whom she declined to identify in her kitchen approximately 4 weeks ago who made the statement that MARTIN LUTHER KING had to be disposed of. She questioned him as to what he meant, and he replied that he meant that KING had to be eliminated but not necessarily killed.

Miss HOWARD stated that this man came to her house in Leland and advised her that he was a friend of AL CAROLLO, owner of Al's Supper Club, Greenville, Mississippi. She claimed to not have seen this man prior to or since that time. He told her he worked for the Mafia but declined to furnish any details. He also claimed to be driving a 1968 Cadillac, which she did not see. She stated she had a few drinks with this man in her house and he may have made the above statement concerning KING because of the liquor. She stated that he resembled the sketch of ERIC STARVO GALT which she saw on television within the past few days.

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Miss HOWARD furnished the following description of this individual, whom she refused to identify out of fear for her safety and because she would hate to see anyone punished for killing a Negro:

Height	6' 7"
Weight	160 pounds
Age	Late forties
Features	Sharp, pointed nose; very tall and slim

Miss HOWARD advised that she is a nurse at East Bolivar County Hospital, Cleveland, Mississippi. She is approximately 35 years of age, approximately 5' 6" tall, 115 pounds, blond, and lives alone. Miss HOWARD appeared to have been drinking heavily prior to the interview at 7:30 AM and did not answer the door when agents knocked. The door was open, screen was unlocked, lights on, her 1966 Chevrolet was parked in the driveway, and car keys were observed on the coffee table in the living room. She did not respond when her name was called. Her small white dog barked and should have awakened anyone who was sleeping.

Assistant Chief of Police LAW, Leland, Mississippi, appeared on the scene and entered Miss HOWARD's house and awakened her, after calling her name loudly several times. She was, from her speech and actions, obviously intoxicated or doped. There was no indication that her house had been ransacked.

After leaving the house, Miss HOWARD contacted the Leland Police Department and advised that she had decided that she would furnish the name of the man in question, provided that one FBI agent and one FBI agent alone would return to her house. The above two agents returned to Miss HOWARD's home and, after several statements which indicated her complete dislike for Negroes, she refused again to name the

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individual who she claimed to be ERIC STARVO GALT, based on the sketch she saw on television.

Chief of Police JOE DEAN, Leland, Mississippi, advised that MARY ANN HOWARD is an alcoholic who frequently carouses all night. She is a very attractive girl who is well educated, is a nurse, and appears to be very intelligent when she is sober. She has made complaints to the PD on several occasions when she was not sober, and complained one time that she had been raped. She was taken to the General Hospital in Leland but refused to permit an examination after she learned that the doctor ordinarily on duty at that time of night was not at the hospital. She then admitted that she had furnished a false report.

In view of the description which Miss HOWARD furnished and her condition, the Jackson Office anticipates conducting no further investigation on this particular matter.

Memphis may desire to advise Inspector ZACHARY (NA), Memphis PD Homicide Bureau, of the above since HOWARD may again contact him.

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Enclosed herewith for Memphis are nine report inserts, 15 copies of each, a total of 135 enclosures.

These inserts relate to coverage of dance studios in the State of Mississippi concerning ERIC STARVO GALT. All were contacted with negative results.

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1 - Jackson
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DPH/bls

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The following investigation was conducted by the agents shown to determine if there were any dance studios in their respective territory:

On April 15, 1968, Patrolman SIMON W. HALL, Lucedale, Mississippi, advised SA PETER H. CROOKS there are no dance studios or dance classes in Lucedale, Mississippi.

On the same date a check was made of logical references by SA PETER H. CROOKS in an attempt to locate any dance studios in Lucedale, Mississippi, and none were located.

On April 15, 1968, Mrs. NORMA STIGLETS, Credit Bureau of Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, advised there are no dance studios in either Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, or Waveland, Mississippi, to her knowledge.

On the same date Chief of Police LATHON GARRIGA, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, advised there are no dance studios in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

Deputy Sheriff EIDO DEPREO, Hancock County Sheriff's Office, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, advised there are no dance studios in Waveland, Mississippi.

The investigation at Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi, was conducted by SA H. MAX LOUDERMAN.

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LSB/bls

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA LOUIS S. BULLARD:

On April 16, 1968, Mrs. TONI MOSLEY, Instructor, Arthur Murry Dance Studio, 303 Porter Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi, advised that she has been employed there as an instructor for the last five years. She said the names ERIC STARVO GALT or GAULT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or MYER and JOHN WILLARD or WILLIARD were not familiar to her, nor could any record or reference to instant names be located in her files.

She said she would mention these names to Mr. E. E. WALLACE, Manager of the Dance Studio, and in the event they were familiar to him, he would contact the FBI.

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FBH/clm

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The following persons were contacted by SA FLOYD B. HANNON, III on April 15, 1968, regarding their knowledge of a subject named ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD. Each person viewed the composite photographs of subject and advised they did not know the subject by name or appearance:

~~ANNE McNAIR BYERS~~
~~Anne's Academy of Dance Arts~~
4639 McWillie Drive
Jackson, Mississippi

~~BEVERLY T. SMITH~~
~~Beverly's School of Dance and Baton~~
Post Office Box 5687
Jackson, Mississippi

~~WILLIAM REX COOPER~~
~~Dance Academy~~
534 Mitchell
Jackson, Mississippi

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JLM/bkh

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA J. L. MARTIN at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on April 15,
1968:

~~LILLIAN HYDE~~, Owner and Operator, Hyde's School of Music and Dancing, 105 Second Avenue, advised that she teaches primarily children's dances, however, would accept adults as private students, but stated that she has taught no adults within the last six years. Mrs. HYDE stated that the names ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, and JOHN WILLARD were unknown to her.

~~MARGARET CONN~~, Owner and Operator, Conn Margaret Dance Studios, 800 Edwards Street, advised that she teaches no adult dance lessons but instructs only children.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
J. L. MARTIN at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on April 16,
1968:

~~GILBERT LANGON~~, Assistant Registrar, University of Southern Mississippi, advised that the University offers a course in dancing only as an academic course working toward a degree in dancing. He stated that they take no outside students and that the course is offered only to full-time students who are working toward a degree in dancing.

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The following investigation was conducted on April 15, 1968, by SA CHARLES W. WILMORE, JR., at Bolivar County, Mississippi:

Bolivar County Sheriff L. B. WILLIAMS advised there were no dance studios to his knowledge located in Bolivar County.

W. C. DEMPSEY, Chief of Police, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised he knew of no dance studios in Cleveland, Mississippi.

A review of Bolivar County telephone directories and Cleveland city directory failed to reveal any listings for dance studios.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM C. MEARNES on April 15, 1968, at Belzoni, Mississippi:

Sheriff JAMES L. HUFFSTICKLER, Humphreys County, stated he knew of no dance studios located in Humphreys County, Mississippi.

Chief of Police M. L. NICHOLS advised there were no dance studios located in Belzoni, Mississippi, to his knowledge.

A review of Humphreys County telephone directories failed to reveal any listing for any dance studio.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DOMINICK DI DOMENICO at Sunflower County, Mississippi, on April 15, 1968:

JACK SESSUMS, Sheriff, Sunflower County, advised there were no dance studios in Sunflower County to his knowledge.

BRYCE ALEXANDER, Chief of Police, Indianola, Mississippi, advised there were no dance studios located in Indianola, Mississippi, to his knowledge.

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A review of Sunflower County telephone directories failed to reveal any listing for any dance studios in Sunflower County.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN WILLIAM NEELLEY on April 15, 1968, in Washington County, Mississippi.

Deputy Sheriff EARL FISHER advised that he knew of no dance studios located in Washington County.

W. C. BURNLEY, Chief of Police, Greenville, Mississippi, advised there was only one dance studio located in Greenville, Mississippi. He said this dance studio was run by ALMYRA JACKSON at 323 South Washington in Greenville.

VERA HANSON, Merchants Credit Bureau, advised the only dance studio listed in the Greenville, Mississippi, area was that of ALMYRA JACKSON.

A review of Greenville city directory and Washington County telephone books listed no dance studios other than that of ALMYRA JACKSON at 323 South Washington Avenue, Greenville, Mississippi.

ALMYRA JACKSON, 323 South Washington Avenue, Greenville, Mississippi, advised she had never had never had any dance students named ERIC STARVO GALT, JOHN WILLARD, or HARVEY LOWMEYER. After viewing artist conceptions of ERIC STARVO GALT, she stated she had never had any pupil who resembled these sketches. Miss JACKSON said she was the only dance studio located in Washington County which taught adults.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA GEORGE P. GAMBLIN at Natchez, Mississippi, on April 15,
1968:

Mrs. MARTHA HOOTSELL, School of Dancing, advised from a check of her records that she has no record of any students by the names of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD. She was shown the artist conceptions of the unknown individual in this case and failed to recognize him.

Mrs. HOOTSELL stated in the event individuals using the aforementioned names applies for dancing lessons, she will immediately contact the FBI. She stated the only dancing schools in Adams, Jefferson, Franklin and Wilkinson Counties are located in Natchez, Mississippi.

Mrs. ALLIE MINNETT MIDDLETON, 306 Jefferson Street, Middleton Dancing School, searched her records and was unable to locate any students or former students by the names of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD. She was shown the artist conceptions of the unknown individual in this case and was not aware of this individual's identity. She stated in the event anyone by the above mentioned names or appearing to be identical with the artist conceptions applies at her school, she will immediately notify the FBI.

Mrs. HERBERT J. MEAD, JR., 99 Sergeant Prentiss Drive, Natchez, Mississippi, checked her records and was unable to locate anyone by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD. She was shown the artist conceptions of the unknown individual in this case and was not aware of this individual's identity.

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JHP:pdb

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR.:

AT MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

A review of the City Directory and Telephone Directory for the City of Meridian fails to reflect any adult dancing schools located in this city. The only two dancing schools are for children.

Investigation in the area covered by the Meridian Resident Agency fails to reflect any dancing schools located in the counties.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA R. STEPHEN CARR on April 15, 1968:

AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Mrs. ELLA BELCHER, 4452 Woodlark Drive, advised she was co-owner of the Jo-Ella School of Dance and Baton, which is no longer operating, but which maintains a telephone listing. She advised that when the school was in operation, she taught only baton twirling and tap dancing and all students were children.

She further advised that after a review of her files she could find no listing for ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD.

Mrs. BELCHER was shown composite drawings of subject; however, she was unable to identify the drawing.

Mr. LAMON GOINGS, owner of Jeanne and Lamon Goings Dance Studios, 1029 Pecan Park Circle, advised that his studio is composed mostly of children. After a review of his files, he stated that he has had no students using the name ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER or LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD.

Mr. GOINGS was shown composite drawings of subject; however, he was unable to identify these drawings.

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Mrs. MAE GRANGER, Credit Bureau of Jackson, advised that her office does not record credit data for companies or corporations and was, therefore, unable to state if there had been any dance studios in the Jackson area in the past which are now defunct.

A review of the Southern Bell Telephone Directory for Hinds, Madison and Rankin Counties failed to reflect any listing for dance studios in those areas.

A review of Polk's City Directory for Jackson, Mississippi, for the years 1966, 1967 and 1968, failed to reflect a listing of any dance studios which have been in operation in the past but are now defunct.

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The following investigation was conducted on April 15, 1968, at Canton, Mississippi, by SA JERRY R. PARKER:

The following individuals were contacted and advised there were no dance studios which instruct ballroom dancing for men in Madison County:

JAMES HERVEY EVANS, JR.
Justice of the Peace

BILLY NOBLE
Madison County Sheriff

DAN C. THOMPSON
Chief of Police

LORENE SMITH, Madison County Credit Bureau, advised her files contain no record for any dance studio in Madison County.

Current City and Telephone Directories negative regarding a dance studio in Canton, Mississippi.

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TO DIRECTOR/MAIL/, NEW ORLEANS, MEMPHIS AND JACKSON
FROM JACKSONVILLE/44-769/ 1P

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RE MALCOM A. GAULT, US MERCHANT MARINER.

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BROTHER, EZRA GAULT. TWO OTHER BROTHERS IN FAMILY, EVERETT, WHO
RESIDES VALLEY ROAD, MERIDIAN, MISS., AND HAS TWELVE OR THIRTEEN
CHILDREN, NAMES UNKNOWN. OTHER BROTHER, CURTIS, RESIDES IN LOUISIANA,
ADDRESS UNKNOWN, HAS ONE SON, BILLY, AGE ABOUT THIRTYONE. NAME ERIC
STARVO GALT NOT FAMILIARY TO MALCOM OR EZRA GAULT.
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if father had any control with them*

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TO ATLANTA
BIRMINGHAM
JACKSON
KANSAS CITY
LOS ANGELES
MOBILE

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 2 P

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MURKIN.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED TO DATE RE ERIC STARVO GALT HAS
EITHER ESTABLISHED OR ALLEGED RESIDENCE IN ONE OF THE FIELD
DIVISIONS MENTIONED.

DATE OF BIRTH AS LISTED ON ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE IS

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NORMAL PRODCEDURES FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION, THIS MAN
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STATE SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARDS AND FROM REVIEW OF REGISTRANTS IN
PERTINENT PERIOD POSSIBILITY EXISTS SOME DATA MAY BE DEVELOPED RE
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FAMILIAR NAMES OR SOME OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY LEAD TO
ESTABLISHING IDENTITY UNSUB THIS CASE.

IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INQUIRIES, NO INDICATION SHOULD
BE GIVEN INQUIRIES IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

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ED END,

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IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INQUIRIES, NO INDICATION SHOULD
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ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1P

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ACCOUNT NO. [REDACTED], IN
THE AMOUNT OF EIGHT DOLLARS, EIGHTY CENTS, AND IS DATED APRIL
SEVENTEEN LAST.

JACKSON INTERVIEW BUSTIN RE SIGNIFICANCE OF INSCRIPTION
APPEARING ON REVERSE SIDE OF CHECK HE SUBMITTED TO SEARS.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)

MURKIN

Re Suspect EUGENE SMITH MANSFIELD.

One photo each of EUGENE SMITH MANSFIELD is being enclosed for Birmingham, Memphis and Jackson.

Investigation previously conducted by the New Orleans Office to locate and interview MANSFIELD determined that he worked in Grand Isle, La., in late 1967 as a welder with Grand Isle Shipyards and Huron Construction Company.

ANDREW ADAMS, Grand Isle, La., associated with PERCY CROSBY, Grand Isle, advised on 3/25/68, that MANSFIELD left the area in January, 1968, after being gone for several days at a time on several prior occasions. He is living with CROSBY's 19 or 20 year old daughter, MERLYN CROSBY, and reportedly has left a wife and four children somewhere, place unknown to ADAMS.

ADAMS said he co-signed note when MANSFIELD bought a 1968 blue Ford pickup truck at Ford dealer, Lockport, La., and financed same through Commercial Securities, Co., Lockport.

MANSFIELD, according to ADAMS, is an alcoholic and was previously in Grand Isle about a year or more ago when arrested by Jefferson Parish SO for stabbing at Tony Marullo's Bar.

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Records of Jefferson Parish SO (JPSO), #23897, on EUGENE SMITH MANSFIELD, FBI #302 455 B, reflect he was arrested for aggravated battery on 11/15/66 after stabbing DANNY QUINN MARTIN with a pocket knife.

Photos of MANSFIELD with description on back thereof were obtained.

On 4/11/68, observation of the usual logging places from Port Sulphur, La., to Triumph, La., were observed and no vehicle similar to that in possession of MANSFIELD was observed.

Photo of subject was shown to the following and MANSFIELD had not been observed in the Burns area:

Deputy ERNEST AMOS

Deputy GEORGE MARTINEZ

Chief Deputy HARRY L. PACKARD

MANSFIELD as of 4/11/68, had not been processed by the Plaquemines Parish Itinerant Labor Bureau.

RAY GIBBONS, Gibbons Certified Welders, Triumph, La., advised MANSFIELD had not contacted him for employment or for any other reason. He said welders are in demand.

M. I. MIDDLETON, Packard, Inc., has no records of MANSFIELD.

NO 157-12573

Jackson will maintain liaison with JN 364-R (JNOR)
in effort to locate current whereabouts of MANSFIELD.

New Orleans will maintain liaison with appropriate
local authorities for any information to indicate presence
of MANSFIELD in Buras, Louisiana area.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: INGELLS SHIPBUILDING CORPORATION

SA HAROLD V. HUGHES, Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California, advised that his father, HOMER E. HUGHES, is an electrical supervisor at Ingells Shipbuilding Corporation, Pascagoula, Mississippi, home telephone number 601-SO 2-5516, Pascagoula, Mississippi.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM SUPERVISOR PAUL R. ALKER

SUBJECT MURKIN

At 7:35 AM, April 18, 1968, SA ROGER KAAS of the Atlanta Office telephonically advised that investigation at Atlanta had developed a latent fingerprint on the Mexican road map which matches the print found on the gun. He stated, however, that the landlord at the rooming house in which GALT stayed (previous information indicates he resided at this rooming house from March 24, 1968, until April 5, 1968) has consistently lied to Agents about small things. He stated that when GALT tried to get a room, the landlord had to open his other rooming house which had no occupants at the time to make a room available for GALT and that for one week GALT resided in this house alone. KAAS stated that despite this, the landlord gave Agents the wrong room number, which was searched, and then later told them the right one. He said there were other instances of furnishing false information, which although appearing to be minor, did not seem to have any reason.

KAAS stated the landlord is JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, born [redacted] Fulton, Miss., a white male, 6'2", 198 lbs., dark brown, almost black hair, blue eyes, and an alcoholic. He has a sister, ROBBIE GARNER, who is a school teacher at Atlanta. KAAS stated GARNER has said he ran a restaurant in Tupelo, Miss., for a number of years immediately prior to World War II until 1942 and immediately after World War II. He claims to have attended a small college, which they gather is at Fulton, Miss. He was dishonorably discharged from the U.S. Army in 1944 as an officer. He claims this was due to drinking.

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KAAS requested investigation at Fulton and Tupelo, Miss., to develop the background of GARNER to determine particularly if he is a racist and whatever can be developed in his background which would possibly establish any prior relationship with GALT, or explain the reason for him furnishing false information.

This lead was called to SA CASTLES at Tupelo, Miss., at 7:50 A.M., April 18, 1968, and SA RYAN was requested to verify birth and identify parents.

KAAS desired a telephone call as to results.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

FROM : SA FRANCIS G. HONAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/18/68

Re: JIMMIE DELTON GARNER

Itawamba Agricultural High School, Fulton, Miss., records reflect GARNER under name DELTON GARNER entered first year of high school on August 16, 1925, and completed four years of high school. The records failed to reflect date of graduation. Records indicate parent D. F. GARNER, Fulton, Miss.

The record does not reflect GARNER graduating; however, registrar advises GARNER had enough credits to graduate. During high school GARNER took English, history, agriculture, math and science.

GLEN LODEN, Principal, Grammar School, Fulton, Miss., advised that grammar school records concerning GARNER were destroyed in a fire in 1939. LODEN stated that he personally knew GARNER and GARNER's father, D. FRANK GARNER, who taught school in the Itawamba County schools for a number of years and is a retired school teacher. LODEN states that there were only two children in the GARNER family--JIMMIE DELTON GARNER and a daughter, ROBBIE LEE GARNER, who is presently teaching school in Atlanta, Ga. Mr. LODEN stated that GARNER's mother and father are deceased. LODEN stated he does not know what college GARNER may have attended, if any. LODEN states that the GARNER family enjoyed an excellent character, reputation and associates in Fulton, and he considered them loyal, American citizens. He stated that JIMMIE DELTON GARNER has not lived in Fulton, Miss., since shortly after WW II.



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WENDALL BROWN, Superintendent of Education, Itawamba County, Fulton, Miss., advised that he knows the GARNER family and considers them to be outstanding, loyal American citizens. He stated he believes that JIMMIE DELTON GARNER attended college at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Miss., where he played football. BROWN is of the opinion that JIMMIE DELTON GARNER was single when he left Fulton, Miss., and is presently residing in Atlanta, Ga. He stated that GARNER's mother's maiden name was THORN and both parents were born and raised in Itawamba County, Miss. He stated that GARNER's mother and father have been deceased for over five years.

WILL CANTRELL, Deputy Sheriff and EUGENE SPENCER, Sheriff, Itawamba County, Miss., both advised that JIMMIE DELTON GARNER lived in Fulton, Miss., approximately 20 years ago and has only been back to Fulton to visit his parents, both of whom are presently deceased. Both of these individuals consider GARNER and his family to be outstanding, loyal American citizens. CANTRELL states that he believes GARNER went to Officers Cadet School during WW II and received a commission in the U.S. Army Engineers.

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AT HATTIESBURG, MISS.

NOT necessary!

Attempt to verify GARNER's college at University of Southern Mississippi.

AT JACKSON, MISS.

At the Department of Health, verify GARNER's birth on Fulton, Miss.

*(no record)
now kept
since 1912*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SUPERVISOR JAMES O. INGRAM

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: JIMMIE DELTON GARNER

Rememo of Supervisor ALKER and SA HONAN.

On 4/18/68, SA ROGER KAAS, Atlanta Office, was telephonically furnished all info in HONAN's memo and fact indices negative. No record of birth since records only kept since 1912. KAAS stated he appreciated information and was sufficient and not necessary to handle lead at Hattiesburg.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA JOHN L. PUDDISTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On April 11, 1968, Inspector JOSEPH A. SULLIVAN telephonically advised that he did not desire that any negative type investigation, which eliminates local Jackson suspects, be sent to Memphis. He advised that negative type information should be indexed and filed at Jackson rather than be furnished to Memphis.

In view of the above, the attached memo and FD 302 interviews which are local in nature and negative in results, are marked for indexing and filing at Jackson.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

FROM : SA WILLIAM P. LAWLER, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 4/10/68

Enclosed is one FD-302.

Information was received at the Jackson Division that an anonymous individual intercepted two calls on their party line on 4/6/68 at which time the following information was received.

DELMA and DINA LA BELLA, operators of Dee-Dells Photo Studio in Walls, Mississippi, were calling B. B. CAMPBELL at 317-282-390, 1215 E. 14th Street, Muncie, Indiana. CAMPBELL is the sister of DELMA LA BELLA and LA BELLA was calling to check on CAMPBELL's health. The death of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING was also discussed at one time.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM P. LAWLER, JR. and SA RICHARD T. RABIDEAU on 4/8/68:

Mrs. C. A. ALDAY, Clerk, Walls Station, P. O., Walls, Miss., advised that DEE and DELLS, Industrial Photo Shop, Drawer 67, Walls, is operated by DEE or DINA ARANIAS and DELL PIERCE, both of whom live some place in Memphis. ALDAY further advised that ARANIAS' mother, LORENA COUNT, works in the shop and lives on Starlanding Road, Lake Cormorant.

LORENA COUNT and SARA COUNT, mother and sister of DINA ARANIAS were interviewed at their home on Starlanding Road, Lake Cormorant, at which time they volunteered the following information:



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Both LORENA and SARA COUNT advised that they also worked at Dee and Dells Photo Lab along with DINA ARANIAS and ~~DELMA PIERCE~~. They further stated that DINA and DELMA were living together but had recently moved and did not know their present address. SARA COUNT advised, however, that both girls were presently traveling in connection with the Photo Shop and that she would have them call the FBI in Oxford as soon as she was in contact with them.

Both LORENA and SARA COUNT advised that they know no one by the name of LA BELLA

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 10, 1968

DEE ARANIAS telephonically contacted the Oxford Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation from Gulfport, Mississippi, at which time ARANIAS provided the following information:

ARANIAS stated that she and DELMA PIERCE were presently in Gulfport, Mississippi. ARANIAS stated that on Thursday night, April 4, 1968, she and PIERCE were at the Holiday Inn in Biloxi, Mississippi.

ARANIAS stated that prior to arriving in Biloxi on April 4, 1968, they had been at the Standard Walgreen Agency, in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, at about 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 1968.

ARANIAS further stated that DELMA was not with her, at the moment, but that DELMA had called her sister in Indiana twice on Friday, April 5, 1968. One call was made from Jackson and one from Memphis on Friday night. ARANIAS stated that DELMA had used the name LA BELLA when calling her sister, in order to avoid a family conflict due to a prior marriage.

ARANIAS stated that although she and PIERCE traveled a lot, they could always be contacted through the photo shop.

On 4/8/68 at Oxford, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586

by SA WILLIAM P. LAWLER:mah Date dictated 4/9/68

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