

FBI MEMPHIS

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909PM URGENT 4-10-68 DPK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND BIRMINGHAM
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

MURKIN.

RE LOS ANGELES PHONE CALL TO BUREAU BY SAC GRAPP FOUR
TEN SIXTY EIGHT, BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES FOUR NINE SIXTY EIGHT
AND CLEVELAND TEL TO LOS ANGELES FOUR TEN SIXTY EIGHT.

DURING CHECK OF LAUNDRIES IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AREA
MARKING MACHINE BEARING SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE FOUR FIVE FOUR
WAS LOCATED AT HOME SERVICE LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING COMPANY,
FIVE TWO EIGHT NAUGHT HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, WHICH
MACHINE HAD BEEN ORIGINALLY SOLD TO DELITE LAUNDRY, ONE SIX
NAUGHT SEVEN BROOKLYN AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, AND ONE OF THE
MACHINES REFERRED TO IN ALBANY TELETYPE FOUR EIGHT SIXTY EIGHT.
SAMPLES OF TAPES MADE BY THIS MACHINE TAKEN AND APPEAR TO BE
IDENTICAL WITH LAUNDRY TAGS ON SUSPECT CLOTHING. THESE SPECIMENS
BEING SENT OT FBI LABORATORY VIA AIRLINE TONIGHT.
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INVESTIGATION REFLECTS ONE JAY WALLIS VERNON, AKA JEROME WALLIS VERNON FBI NO. SEVEN FOUR THREEE TWO TWO SIX B, OPERATED THIS LAUNDRY UNTIL MARCH TWENTY FOUR, SIXTY EIGHT, AND MADE NO FURTHER APPEARANCE AT LAUNDRY AFTER MARCH TWENTY SEVEN. HE IS DESCRIBED WHITE, MALE, BORN [REDACTED] PAMPA, TEXAS, FIVE ELEVEN, ONE NINETY FIVE, BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR. HE IS SUBJECT OF BUFILES FORTY TWO DASH ONE SEVEN TWO SEVEN ONE SIX AND FORTY TWO DASH ONE NAUGHT ONE FOUR FOUR NINE. PHOTOGRAPH OF VERNON BEING SENT OT MEMPHIS VIA AIRLINE.

PRESENT MANAGER, LUCY PINELA, STATES SHE BELIEVES SHE HAS SEEN UNDERSHORTS OF TYPE IN PHOTO AS HAVING BEEN THROUGH HER LAUNDRY. SHE FURTHER STATED THE CODE ON THE GARMENTS WOULD HAVE BEEN USED SOME TIME AFTER MID-FEBRUARY, SIXTY EIGHT, AND THAT ALL RECORDS OF LAUNDRY, AS WELL AS TOOLS, WERE REMOVED FROM PREMISES BY VERNON. SHE LAST SAW VERNON MARCH TWENTY SEVEN, SIXTY EIGHT. PINELA DOES NOT KNOW IDENTITY OF PRESENT OWNER. HOWEVER, TELEPHONE BILL WAS SENT TO MAURICE HOWARD, LOS ANGELES FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH TWO THREE TWO NAUGHT NAUGHT, BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE FOUR TWO SIX NAUGHT TWO, WHO IS SUBJECT RESERVE INDEX SECTION B, LOS ANGELES.

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IT IS TO BE NOTED THIS LAUNDRY IS WITHIN FIVE BLOCKS OF
ROMPAGE HARDWARE, WHERE PLIERS FOUND IN MEMPHIS APPARENTLY
ORIGINATED. PHOTO OF VERNON DISPLAYED TO CURRENT EMPLOYEES
ROMPAGE HARDWARE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

BUREAU AND MEMPHIS WILL BE ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY OF
IDENTITY OF AIRLINE FLIGHT NUMBER AND NAME OF CAPTAIN OF PLANE
ON WHICH EVIDENCE AND PHOTOS BEING FORWARDED.

MEMPHIS SHOULD DISPLAY PHOTO TO ALL POSSIBLE WITNESSES
AND ADVISE BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES OF RESULTS.

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IS REQUESTED TO COMPARE PRINTS
OF VERNON, FBI NUMBER SEVEN FOUR THREE TWO TWO SIX B, WITH ANY
LATENT PRINTS DEVELOPED THIS MATTER.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT LOS ANGELES TO DETERMINE
PRESENT LOCATION OF VERNON.

INVESTIGATION RE SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT NEGATIVE TO
DATE. NO RECORD OF GALT AT AMERICAN INSURANCE ASSOCIATION,
LOS ANGELES.

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TELETYPE URGENT

TO SAC LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
FROM SAC MEMPHIS (44-1987) (3P)
MURKIN, CR. OO: MEMPHIS

RE LOS ANGELES TEL TO DIRECTOR, SAC MEMPHIS AND
BIRMINGHAM APRIL TEN LAST CONCERNING JAY WALLIS VERNON.

IN A REVIEW OF THE MATERIAL IN YOUR TEL AND IN THE
LIGHT OF FACT THAT VERNON'S FINGERPRINTS DO NOT CORRESPOND
TO LATENTS ON MATERIAL DEVELOPED IN MEMPHIS INVESTIGATION,
THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS ARE MADE:

THERE IS A STRIKING SIMILARITY BETWEEN VERNON AND
ARTISTS' CONCEPTION PREPARED AT MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM.
GEOGRAPHICAL ORIENTATION OF VERNON IN TENNESSEE, ALABAMA,
TEXAS AND CALIFORNIA CORRESPONDS TO BACKGROUND DEVELOPED
CONCERNING UNSUB. UNSUB APPEARS SMALLER BUT SIMILAR IN
APPEARANCE. HIS LAUNDRY MAY HAVE BEEN PROCESSED IN
VERNON'S LAUNDRY IN LOS ANGELES.

DEVELOP ALL POSSIBLE BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING VERNON

Airtel _____
AND PARTICULARLY DATA CONCERNING HIS WHEREABOUTS AND

Teletype _____

A.M. 1 - BIRMINGHAM (AM)
1 - MOBILE (AM) (ENC. 1) *JSV*
A.M.S.D. 1 - JACKSON (AM) (ENC. 1)
1 - NEW ORLEANS (AM) (ENC. 1)
JAS:tjm (5)

Spec. Del. _____

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TRAVELS DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS. FURNISH ANY DATA DEVELOPED CONCERNING IDENTITY OF HIS VEHICLE, DRIVER'S LICENSE DATA AND IN PARTICULAR ASSOCIATES.

PARTICULAR INQUIRY SHOULD BE MADE AS TO WHETHER VERNON OR ASSOCIATES HAD ANY INTEREST IN RACIAL MATTERS, ANY ORIENTATION TO KLAN OR SIMILAR RACIST ORGANIZATIONS. ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE HAD ANY CLOSE ASSOCIATES IN BATON ROUGE, AREA, MEMPHIS AREA, BIRMINGHAM AREA OR MOBILE PASCAGOULA AREA IN ALABAMA AND MISSISSIPPI.

DETERMINE WHETHER ANY TOLL TELEPHONE CALLS WERE MADE FROM HIS PHONE EITHER BUSINESS OR RESIDENCE TO BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, MOBILE OR NEW ORLEANS DIVISIONS.

RECORDS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION INDICATE ONE JEROME WALLIS VERNON, WHITE MALE, BORN DECEMBER FOURTEEN, ONE NINE THREE FIVE AT PANDA, TEXAS, WAS AN AIR FORCE DESERTER IN OCTOBER, ONE NINE SIX THREE, SAN FRANCISCO CO, AFVN ONE NINE SEVEN ZERO SEVEN THREE EIGHT THREE.

EXPLOIT ALL ASPECTS VERNON POTENTIAL AS AN ASSOCIATE OR PARTICIPANT IN MURKIN SITUATION. P. FM

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AM COPIES TO BIRMINGHAM, MOBILE, JACKSON AND
NEW ORLEANS. COPY OF RM TEL ENCLOSED FOR MOBILE,
JACKSON AND NEW ORLEANS. RM END

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, JACKSON

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

OO: ME

Enclosed herewith for the offices receiving this communication are five copies each of three studies done by Bureau artists of the UNSUB in captioned matter.

Photo #1 is based on information furnished by witnesses at Memphis, Tennessee. Photos #2 and #3 are based on information furnished by witnesses at Birmingham, Alabama.

Witnesses who have observed our principal suspect, ERIC STARVO GALT, and witnesses who observed UNSUB alone in Memphis and Birmingham have displayed enough similarity in their descriptions and reaction to artists' conception to indicate that UNSUB and GALT are probably identical.

Investigation to date indicates it is entirely possible that GALT identity is fictitious and was established as a cover.

Airtel _____

Teletype _____ The best description we have appears to be the description of GALT which was furnished when

A.M. _____

A.M.S.D. _____ 2-Jackson (Encs. 15)

Spec. Del. _____ 2-Mobile (Encs. 15)

Reg. Mail _____ 2-New Orleans (Encs. 15)

Registered _____ 2-St. Louis (Encs. 15)

_____ 2-Memphis

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when he obtained an Alabama drivers license in late 1967. Witnesses, however, have described UNSUB as both taller and shorter, heavier and lighter, and there is an uncertainty about the hairline and eyes. The best photo appears to be #1. Photo #2 is highly regarded if he appeared a bit more youthful. With the limitations set forth herein, the description set forth for GALT may be regarded as the best composite description at this time:

Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
Height	5'11"
Weight	175
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Fair
Appearance	Neat, clean-cut, neat dresser
Accent	Western or Texas, definitely not northern
Peculiarities	Very shy and quiet; often observed wearing a business suit, shirt, and tie
Marital status	GALT indicated he was divorced.

The Bureau has instructed in using these pictures in connection with this investigation that the identity of the conception of the artists as the MURKIN suspect be avoided. Appropriate pretext should be used in lieu thereof until such time the Bureau releases an official artist conception.

UNSUB has used the aliases JOHN WILLARD and HARVEY LOWMEYER.

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Date: APRIL 12, 1968

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

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

RE: MURKIN - 157-2627

Re Mobile teletype to Houston, Jackson,
Memphis 4/11/68.

Enclosed for Memphis Division is one (1) photograph
of DONNIE LEON HARDEN, obtained from Ingalls Shipyard,
Pascagoula, Miss.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
EDGAR L. O'NEILL, JR., at Pascagoula, Miss., on 4/11/68:

LEROY HAMILTON, Guard, Ingalls Shipyard, Pascagoula,
Miss., advised that the shipyard was closed until Tuesday
4/16/68. He made available the personnel file of one DONNIE
LEON HARDEN, and also furnished a photograph of HARDEN. The
following background data was obtained re HARDEN:

Name	DONNIE LEON HARDEN
Address	Route "C", Evergreen, Alabama (As of 11/16/67)
Prior address	162 Alverson Road, Mobile, Alabama (As of 10/28/66)

2 - Memphis (Enc 1)
 ② - Mobile
 1 - Houston
 2 - Jackson
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Approved: RKM Sent _____ M Per _____
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JN 157-9586

Employment number at Ingalls Shipyard	9-34813
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	Wetumpka, Alabama
Social Security No.	[REDACTED]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6 feet 3 inches
Weight	240 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Remarks	In file it was noted that HARDEN stated he had a Top Secret Crypto clearance from 1958 to 1961; and again from 1963 to 1965 in the United States Army Security Agency.

LEROY HAMILTON checked with (FNU) GOLDMAN in
Number 9 Headhouse Office at the shipyard, and learned that
HARDEN was not reported absent on 4/4/68. An additional
check with BOB HART at the Time Office at the Shipyard
revealed that HARDEN credited with working from 7:00 A. M.,
to 3:30 P. M., on 4/4/68.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**Re: **MURKIN
CR**Date: **April 12, 1968**FBI File No. **44-38861**Lab. No. **D-560411 JK
D-560412 JK
D-560413 JK**Specimens received **4/10/68, from FBI, Memphis****Q86 Registration card of New Rebel Motor Hotel in the
name "Eric S. Galt"****K6 One bar of Cameo toilet soap**Specimen received **4/10/68, from FBI, Mobile****Kc4 Photocopies of transfer of 1967 Alabama license form,
#1A 88384, tag receipt for 1968 Alabama license
#1-38993 and application for Alabama driver's license
dated 9/6/67 bearing the known signatures of
ERIC S. GALT (printed from submitted FX 135-20 film)**Specimen received **4/10/68, from FBI, Birmingham****K5 The following documents bear known handwriting of
ERIC S. GALT:****Record of Access to Safe Deposit Box No. 5517****Contract for Safe Deposit Box****Ledger Card (rental record) for Safe Deposit
Box No. 5517****Undated letter on ruled paper****Result of examination:**

**Because of the limited nature of the questioned
"Harvey Lowmyer" signature on the Q72 invoice and the presence
of unexplained characteristics, it could not be determined
whether the same individual was responsible for the preparation
of this signature and the material in the Eric S. Galt
name represented by Q86, Kc4 and K5.**

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The K3 bar of soap and wrapper were found to be similar in all observable characteristics with the Q48 bar of "Cameo" soap previously submitted.

The evidence submitted is temporarily retained. Photographs were made.

It was determined that the "Eric S. Galt" signatures on Q84, Kc4 and K5 were prepared by one individual.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **April 12, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-560411 JK
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Examination requested by: **Memphis, Birmingham,
Mobile**

Reference: **Airtels, 4/9/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

For information, the general overall appearance of the known writings of GALT in addition to some handwriting similarities indicate he is a good suspect. The very limited nature of comparable writings precludes a stronger "leaning."

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination.

**DO NOT INCLUDE ADMINISTRATIVE
PAGE(S) INFORMATION IN
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Mobile (157-2627) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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Date: 4/12/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: SAC, ALBANY
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) P
RE: MURKIN

In an effort to assist in handling administratively the reams of material being submitted to Memphis Division as office of origin, it is requested all offices in submission of messages use caption which will aid in handling paper. For example, should your office have investigation to report in connection with a specific suspect it would aid if, before entering into the body of text, you would utilize sub-heading after reference, such as "SUSPECT - JOHN ALLEN DOE," or another appropriate caption might be "LAUNDRY CHECKS."

Suitable sub-headings on communications will greatly facilitate the handling of material. Please comply.

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2 ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES (AM)
1 MEMPHIS

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Approved: *RGJ* Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

DATE: April 12, 1968

FROM : SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO: Memphis)

Re request to verify whereabouts of bombing suspects in the Montgomery, area. Bombing suspects JAMES M. HALL, LEROY LAMAR DUCKER and ROBERT LAWRENCE MERROW, JR., have already been accounted for by SA CARMELO GRAFFAGNINI.

JAMES D. YORK (105-396)

HOUSTON WHITACHER, Letter Carrier, United States Post Office, Wetumpka, Alabama, advised that he is fairly certain that he observed JAMES YORK on 3/29/68. He stated that he definitely recalls seeing him on 4/4/68 inasmuch as he picked up a letter at the mailbox of YORK and had to re-contact him to obtain additional postage for the letter. He stated that this was a letter addressed to the Income Tax Service. He advised that in talking with YORK at that time, he had not indicated that he had made any trips anywhere, and as far as he knows, YORK is not able to drive any extended distance. It is to be noted that YORK does not in any way meet the description of the suspect in the MURKIN case. YORK is a retired city employee, approximately 64 or 65 years of age.

FRED PATTERSON MASSEY (157-69)

On 4/9/68, HAROLD E. DUNN, Employment Manager, Standard Forge and Axle Company, Birmingham Highway, Montgomery, Alabama, advised that MASSEY was employed by the company all day on March 29, 1968, and also on 4/4/68. He worked the 7:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. shift.

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HERMAN DOUGLAS GRAY (157-402)

On 4/9/68, Mr. LEO J. DRUMN, President, Capitol Refrigeration Corporation, 210 North Holt Street, Montgomery, advised that GRAY was employed by the company all day on 3/29/68, and signed in at 7:00 a.m. He departed on a job in Troy, Alabama, and returned to the shop at 4:30 p.m. He also worked on 4/4/68, in Montgomery, Alabama, and was clocked in at 7:00 a.m. and clocked out at 3:30 p.m. at the shop. DRUMN advised that GRAY carries a helper, a Mr. SMITH with him and in the event GRAY should have departed any place, SMITH would have known about it.

J. B. JURLS (157-174)

On 4/9/68, Mr. R. A. McPHAUL, Division Chief, Alabama Power Company, advised SA CARMELO GRAFFAGNINI that JURLS was employed by the company on 3/29/68 and 4/4/68. He worked an 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. shift on both days.

CHARLES J. WILKERSON (157-253)

On 4/9/68, Mr. R. A. McPHAUL, Division Chief, Alabama Power Company, advised that WILKERSON was employed by the company on 3/29/68 and 4/4/68. He worked an 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. shift.

ROBERT DAVID MOSELEY (157-210)

On 4/9/68, Mr. R. A. McPHAUL, Division Chief, Alabama Power Company, advised that MOSELEY was employed by the company on 3/29/68 and worked an 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. shift. He stated that MOSELEY was on vacation on April 3 and 4, 1968.

On 4/9/68, SA CARMELO GRAFFAGNINI conducted neighborhood investigation at the residence of MOSELEY which is 1720 West Third Street and of the neighbors contacted, no one could definitely state that they observed MOSELEY on 4/4/68.

On 4/11/68, SA CARMELO GRAFFAGNINI and SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE, contacted MOSELEY at his residence and MOSELEY stated that he was off on 4/3 and 4/68, but that he did not leave the Montgomery, area. He stated that insofar as his whereabouts were for April 4, 1968, he recalls that he was with a JOYCE TATUM and that the two of them were at the Vogue Steak House on Wetumpka Highway near Gunter Air Base. He stated that he had tried to get TATUM a job at the Vogue Steak House as a waitress and that he talked with the owner who employed her. He stated that he departed the restaurant about 6:20 p.m. and while driving home he heard the announcement of the assassination of KING on his car radio.

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On 4/8/68, SA CARMELO GRAFFAGNINI and SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE, contacted SMITHY O'DANIEL, Owner and Operator of the Vogue Steak House, Wetumpka Highway near Gunter Air Base and he advised that he recalls MOSELEY being in the restaurant in the afternoon and late afternoon of 4/4/68. He stated that MOSELEY was with a JOYCE TATUM and that he had employed JOYCE TATUM as a waitress for two nights. He stated that he definitely recalls it as being on Thursday because TATUM worked the first shift on Thursday and again Friday, but did not report for work for him on Saturday. He stated that she only worked the two days which was Thursday and Friday. He stated that as a matter of fact, MOSELEY was also in the restaurant on Friday night and was there for an extended period of time.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (170-260)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA R. Gerard Robinson

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: Jesse James Robinson

☒ RI Prob Ghetto

Dates of Contact	
3/26 4/ 5/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
Murkin	157-2627
Purpose and results of contact	
☐ NEGATIVE ☒ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC	
On 3/26/68 Informant contacted with negative results	
On 4/5/68 Informant was contacted in connection with Murkil	
but could furnish no information concerning this	
incident. He stated that to his knowledge there would	
be no trouble or demonstrations in the Jackson, Ala	
area as a result of Kings death.	
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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Good
	Coverage Ghetto

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SA R. GERARD ROBINSON

JOSEPH NED DUNAGAN
RM (KLAN)

SOURCE: NORMAN TROY ALLDAY (PROTECT IDENTITY)
DATE CONTACTED: 4/8/68
CONTACTING AGENT: SA R. GERARD ROBINSON
RELIABILITY: Source has furnished reliable
information in the past.

On 4/8/68, source stated that on 4/4/68 JOSEPH NED DUNAGAN was working at the District Highway Department Garage in Grove Hill, Ala. until 5:00 P.M. Source stated that, to his knowledge, DUNAGAN has not participated in any type of klan activities during the past two or three months.

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TO: SAC, BIRMINGHAM
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987 Sub E)
MURKIN

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Call
A man identifying himself as **RON HUNTERSTONE**, "Long Island News Day," Long Island, N. Y., telephonically contacted the Memphis Office at 3:30 p.m., 4/11/68, inquiring as to whether the FBI was looking for **JAMES GEORGE ROBINSON** and/or **BOY JAMES** in connection with the shooting of **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

The caller said he had no reason to believe the two were involved in the shooting of **KING** but based on both having assaulted **KING** in the past, he was trying to work up a story as to whether the FBI might be currently looking for them as suspects in the shooting of **KING**.

He stated the only information available to him was news clippings and based on such news clippings he furnished the following information:

JAMES GEORGE ROBINSON, white male American, born [redacted] at Harsum, Texas, 6'1 1/2", 155 lbs., blue eyes, brown hair, slim build, was arrested for assaulting **MARTIN LUTHER KING**, 1/18/65, at the Alvin Hotel, Selma, Alabama. **ROBINSON** received a fine and a brief jail term and subsequently returned to Selma and was again arrested at Selma on 3/8/68.

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② - Mobile
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1 - Richmond (Info)
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ROY JAMES reportedly is a member of the American Nazi Party (ANP) and from Hempstead, Long Island, was arrested 9/28/62 at Birmingham for assaulting **KING** 9/28/62 and received a 30-day jail sentence. Subsequently in 1965 **JAMES** was reportedly acquitted in a Federal Court on charges of having threatened FBI Agents.

The caller stated he had no further information regarding the above and was merely inquiring as to whether they were being sought as suspects. The caller asked a number of other questions regarding the FBI investigation concerning shooting of **KING** and was politely informed that no information could be furnished regarding this investigation at this time. The caller was courteous and said he understood the FBI's position in this matter.

LEADS:

BIRMINGHAM AND MOBILE DIVISIONS

Will review files regarding **ROBINSON** and **JAMES** and if deemed appropriate based on results of such review, set forth leads re current whereabouts.

NEW YORK DIVISION (INFORMATION):

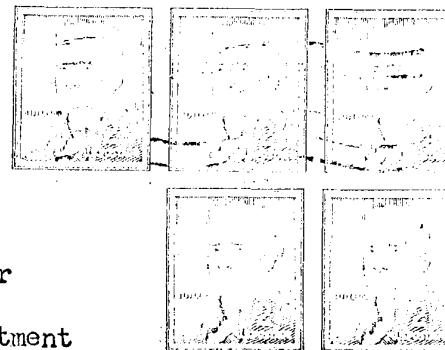
A copy is being furnished New York inasmuch as the caller, **BOB HENDERSON**, resides New York Division and may contact the New York Office re this matter.

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RICHMOND DIVISION (INFORMATION)

Copy is being furnished Richmond as Richmond
is familiar with details of the American Nazi Party (ANP)
and may have information available re ROY JAMES.

1211 Girard Street
Akron, Ohio, 44301



J. Edgar Hoover
FBI Director
Justice Department
Washington, D.C.

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1211 Girard Street
Akron, Ohio, 44301
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Director of FBI J Edgar Hoover
Justice Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On Sunday afternoon, April 7, a white male was driving north on Interstate 71 in Ohio near the Ashland, Ohio exit. His car had an Alabama license plate 3-34652. The car, a very old model, was palest blue, almost white, with a top almost entirely red rust in color from rust. He attracted my attention when he drove around me with his face covered by his right hand. Very foolishly I followed him for about half an hour at speeds from 70-90 miles per hour. Each time he went around another car he placed his right hand over the right portion of his face, concealing his profile. From his haste and attempt to conceal his identity I had the uncanny feeling that he was in interstate flight and trying to avoid being recognized. Near the bottom of the rear car window were black letters and numbers about 2½ to 3 inches high which said, KKK 2---. I was unable to catch the last three numbers of this four digit series.

Please check the driver of Alabama license 3-34652. He acted very strangely. Could he possibly be the murderer of Dr. Martin Luther King? Some 60+ hours after the crime in Memphis, he could, by swift driving be already in Ohio.

Sir, this is no crank letter. I am just trying to help out in this time of trouble.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Louise Molt

Louise Molt

Akron, Ohio Telephone

773-3444
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To: SAC, Mobile

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Enclosed herewith are two copies of a self-explanatory letter from Miss Louise Nolt dated 4-9-68.

Mobile conduct sufficient investigation to eliminate or include individual having Alabama license plate 3-34652 as a suspect in captioned case. Suairtel results of investigation unless more expeditious means warranted. Miss Nolt's letter has been acknowledged.

Enclosures *2*

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TO: SAC, WFO (44-703)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

RE: MURKIN

Re WFO tel 4-11-68.

Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints this case are not identical with the fingerprints of JOSEPH HALLOTT PRITCHETT, born [redacted] in Montgomery, Alabama, Navy service #5408440, who may or may not be the same as the JOSEPH M. PRITCHETT described in referenced teletype. No palm prints are available in Identification Division files for the above described individual.

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TO : BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)
FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES FOUR FOURTEEN SIXTY
EIGHT.

MRS. ANN RICE, ARTHUR MURRAY DANCE STUDIO, ONE SIX FOUR
GOVERNMENT STREET, MOBILE, ADVISED ^{4/15 instant} ~~THIS DATE~~, THAT SHE HAD
KNOWLEDGE OF ^{ONE} ~~ALBERT~~ ALBERT WILLARD, WHO TOOK DANCE LESSONS
THROUGH ARTHUR MURRAY DANCE STUDIO, ONE ONE SEVEN AND ONE HALF
MAIN STREET, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. SHE ADVISED THAT WILLARD
ENTERED DANCE COMPETITIONS IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER
SIXTEEN SIXTY SEVEN AND AT BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, FEBRUARY THREE
SIXTY EIGHT. SHE FURNISHED DESCRIPTION OF ALBERT WILLARD WHICH
MATCHED DESCRIPTION OF ERIC STARVO GALT SET FORTH IN REFERENCED
TELETYPE. SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT ALBERT WILLARD IS A PIPE
SMOKER.

AS OF FEBRUARY THREE LAST, WILLARD WAS TAKING DANCING
LESSONS AT BIRMINGHAM. MRS. RICE ADVISED HER FILES NEGATIVE

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Approved: *WMA*
Special Agent in Charge

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REGARDING HARVEY LOWMYER, JOHN WILLARD AND ERIC STARVO GALT.

BIRMINGHAM CONTACT ARTHUR MURRAY DANCE STUDIO, ONE ONE
SEVEN AND ONE HALF MAIN STREET, AND DETERMINE ANY CONNECTION
OF ALBERT WILLARD WITH INSTANT MATTER.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM. P.

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987, LOS ANGELES, AND MOBILE
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE MIAMI REPORT DATED APRIL SIX, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, CAPTIONED
"SIDNEY CROCKETTE BARNES, RM".

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REFERENCED REPORT REFLECTS SIDNEY CROCKETTE BARNES, WHITE MALE,
BORN [REDACTED] WAS VERY ANTI - SEMITIC, AND
THAT IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR HE STATED THAT "WE WERE WAITING FOR HIM
(MARTIN LUTHER KING) TO COME TO MOBILE, ALABAMA". BARNES REPORTED
STATED "THEY" WERE GOING TO KILL HIM (KING), IF HE CAME TO MOBILE
157-517
REFERENCED REPORT INDICATES BARNES AND NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN ROOMED
TOGETHER IN MOBILE FOR SEVERAL MONTHS AND WORKED CLOSELY WITH (FNU)
WILSON, OUT OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, IN ORGANIZING THE WHITE CITIZENS
COUNCIL. REFERENCED REPORT SHOWS BARNES' ASSOCIATES AS CARDEN,
DESCRIBED AS ASSOCIATED IN CITIZENS COUNCIL ACTIVITY WITH ROBERT M.
157-565
"BOB" SMITH, THREE SIX NINE IRBY STREET, PRICHARD, ALABAMA, REAR
105-380
ADMIRAL JOHN G. CROMMELIN, ONE TWO FIVE THREE MAGNOLIA AVENUE,
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MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, WILLIAM POTTER GALE, ONE EIGHT FOUR ZERO WEST AVENUE, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, AND DR. WESLEY A. SWIFT OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA. BARNES DESCRIBED "JEFF" CARDEN AS A REAL GOOD MAN WHO WOULD "GO ANYWHERE AND DO A GOOD JOB". REPORTEDLY IN LATE NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, GALE, CARDEN, AND "OTHERS" WENT TO BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, WITH LOADED GUNS AND THE PURPOSE WAS "TO GET MARTIN LUTHER KING².

MOBILE REPORT DATED JUNE TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, CAPTIONED "NOAH JEFFERSON CARDEN, RM2, SHOWS HIS RESIDENCE AS SIX FIVE TWO JOHNSTON STREET, MOBILE, ALABAMA. BARNES REPORTED RESIDED ONE THREE SEVEN NINE EAST RIVIERA DRIVE, MOBILE, ALABAMA, AS OF JULY, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR.

FOR INFORMATION, MIAMI REPORT DATED JUNE FIFTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, CAPTIONED "UNSUBS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER FIFTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, BOMBING MATTER", ON PAGE EIGHT REFLECTS THAT PRIOR TO INTEGRATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA, TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA, WILLIAM POTTER GALE MET WITH GOVERNOR GEORGE WALLACCE AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA. GALE PROPOSED A PLAN TO STOOP INTEGRATION IN ALABAMA, SAYING HE COULD PUT FIFTY THOUSAND ARMED MEN IN ALABAMA. GOVERNOR WALLACE REJECTED THIS

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PLAN, TELLING GALE THAT HAD HAD ONE OF HIS OWN. ACCORDING TO BARNES, GOVERNOR WALLACE AND FORMER PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY AGREE TO A PLAN FOR INTEGRATION AT THE UNIVERSITY DURING PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S VISIT TO ALABAMA, AT WHICH TIME PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND GOVERNOR WALLACE WERE TOGETHER IN A HELICOPTER. BARNES DID NOT FURTHER ELABORATE ON HOW HE OBTAINED THIS INFORMATION.

BARNES SAID THAT PRIOR TO THE SEPTEMBER FIFTEEN CHURCH BOMBING IN BIRMINGHAM, A SECRET MEETING WAS HELD IN ALABAMA, LOCATION NOT SPECIFIED. ATTENDING THIS MEETING WERE WILLIAM POTTER GALE, "JEFF" CARDEN, ADMIRAL JOHN G. CROMMELIN FROM WETUMPKA, ALABAMA, AND BARNES. THE ALLEGED PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING WAS TO MAKE PLANS FOR THINGS TO BE DONE. BARNES DID NOT FURTHER ELABORATE ON THIS REMARK. BARNES SAID HE AGREED WITH THE PLAN BUT THAT HE (BARNES) DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE CHURCH BOMBING. HE STATED THAT GALE AND CARDEN WERE INVOLVED, BUT AGAIN DID NOT ELABORATE AS TO THE EXTEND OF THEIR INVOLVEMENT.

BARNES STATED THAT HE WAS "HOT" IN ALABAMA AND HAD TO LEAVE. HE ALSO STATED THAT AFTER THE SECRET MEETING, CROMMELIN TOLD HIM HE PREFERRED BARNES FOR ANY ACTION OVER CARDEN DUE TO THE FACT THAT CARDEN LIKES TO TALK AND DRINKS EXCESSIVELY.

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LOS ANGELES AT LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTED TO DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITY OF GALE AND DR. WESLEY SWIFT DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

MOBILE DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITY OF JOHN G. CROMMELIN MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, NOAH CARDEN AND SIDNEY BARNES AT MOBILE, ALABAMA, AND ROBERT M. "BOB" SMITH, AT PRICHARD, ALABAMA, DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

BIRMINGHAM HANDLING LEAD REGARDING WHEREABOUTS OF LEONARD WILSON, A WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL LEADER IN ALABAMA.

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TO BIRMINGHAM MEMPHIS MOBILE LOS ANGELES
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

REBHTEL APRIL FIFTEEN INSTANT.

YOU SHOULD HOLD YOUR LEADS IN ABEYANCE CONCERNING
WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES OF WILLIAM POTTER GALE,
DR. WESLEY SWIFT, JOHN G. CROMMELIN, NOAH CARDEN,
SIDNEY BARNES, ROBERT M. "BOB" SMITH AND LEONARD WILSON
IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT INFORMATION CONCERNING SUSPECT
GALT.

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645PM URGENT 4-15-68 CDC

TO DIRECTOR , MEMPHIS AND MOBILE
FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10763

MURKIN

RE ERIC STARVO GALT.

SHIPS DEPARTING NEW OREANS FOUR FOUR SIXTYEIGHT.

R. E. MARTINEZ, GULF PUERTO RICO LINES, NATIONAL BANK OF
COMMERCE BUILDING, NEW ORLEANS, LA. , ADVISED THIS DATE THAT
THERE ARE NO PASSENGERS ABOARD THE SS "MAIDEN CREEK" OR THE
SS "NEW YORKER." HE SAID HE DOES NOT HAVE A LIST OF THE CREW,
BUT THAT IT COULD BE OBTAINED FROM FRANK MURDOCH, PORT CAPTIAN
FOR SEA AND LAND SERVICE, MOBILE, ALA. HE SAID BOTH THESE VESSELS
DEPARTED NEW ORLEANS APRIL SIX LAST.

MOBILE AT MOBILE, OBTAIN CREW LISTS OF SS "MAIDEN CREEK"
AND SS "NEW YORKER " FROM FRANK MURDOCH, AND DETERMINE IF ANY
CREW MEMBER NAME ERIC STARVO GALT, JOHN WILLARD, OR HARVEY
LOWMEYER, OR ANY VARIATIONS OF THESE NAMES.

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REBUTEL, APRIL TWELVE LAST.

ON APRIL FIFTEEN INSTANT CHECK AT THE ALABAMA STATE BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS RE NAMES GALT, WILLARD AND LOWMEYER AND VARIATIONS OF THESE NAMES FAILED TO REFLECT ANY BIRTHDATE OF JULY TWENTY, THIRTYONE, THROUGH THE YEARS TWENTYEIGHT TO THIRTYTWO.

RALPH W. ROBERTS, REGISTRAR, ADVISED THAT TO CHECK FOR ALL MALE BIRTHS ON JULY TWENTY, THIRTYONE WOULD ENTAIL THE CHECKING OF THE ENTIRE PERIOD FROM TWENTYEIGHT THROUGH THIRTYTWO, AS THE BIRTHS ARE RECORDED IN FIVE YEAR PERIODS AND ARE NOT LISTED AS TO SPECIFIC DATE OR AS TO MALE OR FEMALE. ROBERTS ADVISED HE WOULD ESTIMATE THE TIME NECESSARY TO THOROUGHLY CHECK AND RECORD THE INFORMATION DESIRED WOULD

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TAKE APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS AND HE WOULD HAVE TO HIRE A PERSON, AS HIS PERSONNEL WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO HANDLE THE ADDITIONAL WORK, AND IT IS THE POLICY OF HIS OFFICE NOT TO PERMIT AGENCIES TO DO THEIR OWN CHECKING. ROBERTS STATED HE COULD RECALL A RETIRED EMPLOYEE WHO WAS ACQUAINTED WITH THE SYSTEM TO PERFORM THE SEARCH, AND HIS ESTIMATE OF THE COST WOULD BE BETWEEN THREE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS TO FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS TO OBTAIN THE REQUESTED INFORMATION.

ADVISE WHETHER ADDITIONAL SEARCH DESIRED. P

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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, SAN FRANCISCO AND MEMPHIS 44-1987
FROM MOBILE 157-2627

MURKIN. OO MEMPHIS.

RE SPRINGFIELD TEL TO DIRECTOR SEVEN FORTY-THREE P.M.
APR. TWELVE SIXTY-EIGHT.

KENNETH NEWBLE, NEGRO, PEORIA, ILLINOIS, ADVISED TODAY
HE HAD WORKED AS SEAMAN WITH ONE RICHARD GALT FROM BIRMINGHAM,
ALA., SAILING ON S.S. HUDSON OF VICTORY TRANSPORTATION LINE,
NY, NY, DECEMBER SIXTY-ONE TO FEB. SIXTY-TWO ON VOYAGE TO
SPAIN WITH RETURN TO PORT ARTHUR, TEX. NEWBLE AND GALT WERE
BOTH MEMBERS OF SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNION, MOBILE, ALA.,
WITH NATIONAL OFFICE LOCATED BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. TOBY DANCY
NEGRO, MOBILE, ALA., WAS MEMBER SAME UNION AND SAILED ON S.S.
HUDSON WITH THEM. DURING VOYAGE RELIGIOUS, RACIAL AND
POLITICAL MATTERS WERE DISCUSSED AT LENGTH. GALT RELATED HE
HAD STUDIED FOR PRIESTHOOD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS DURING EARLY
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YEARS AND WAS EXPERIENCED VETERAN SEAMAN.

GALT DESCRIBED WM, FORTY - FORTY-TWO, SIX FEET, ONE
HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE POUNDS, CASUAL DRESSER, HAD EXCELLENT
KNOWLEDGE OF HANDGUNS AND CONCERNING EUROPE.

MR. HAROLD FISCHER, DISPATCHER, SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL
MOBILE, ALA.
UNION, ADVISED THAT NO RECORD IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE RE
NEWBLE BEING A MEMBER OF THAT UNION ^{ALSO NO RECORD UNDER NAME DANCY.} FISCHER ADVISED HIS
RECORDS REFLECTED ONE TOBE DANSLEY, JR., BEING A MEMBER OF THE
UNION. FISCHER STATED HE COULD LOCATE NO RECORD AT THIS TIME
INDICATING THAT DANSLEY IS CURRENTLY AT SEA.

RECORDS U. S. COAST GUARD OFFICE, MOBILE, ALA., REFLECT
Z NUMBER ONE ZERO NINE SIX FOUR FIVE FIVE BEING ISSUED TO
TOBY DANSLEY, JR., NEGRO MALE, DOB

FIVE FOOT NINE, TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, BROWN EYES, BLACK
HAIR.

MRS. BARBARA JEAN DANSLEY, WIFE OF TOBE DANSLEY, JR.,
LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED. SHE ADVISED HER HUSBAND WAS IN SAN
FRANCISCO TWO WEEKS AGO. SHE STATED HER HUSBAND HAD ARRIVED
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THERE ABOARD THE SHIP SEATRAN LOUISIANA, AND THAT THE SHIP WAS GOING INTO DRYDOCK AT SAN FRANCISCO. MRS. DANSLEY STATED HER HUSBAND MAY BE STAYING WITH HIS COUSIN IN SAN FRANCISCO. SHE BELIEVES THE COUSIN HAS THE SAME LAST NAME.

SAN FRANCISCO WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE TOBE DANSLEY THROUGH SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNION AT SAN FRANCISCO. WILL ALSO LOCATE SHIP TO DETERMINE IF DANSLEY HAS SIGNED BACK ON SHIP. WILL ALSO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE COUSIN THROUGH LOGICAL SOURCES RE WHEREABOUTS OF DANSLEY.

WILL INTERVIEW DANSLEY FOR ADDITIONAL INFO RE GALT AND WHEREABOUTS.

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Special Agent in Charge

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis airtel to Birmingham, 4/11/68, concerning JAMES GEORGE ROBINSON and/or ROY JAMES.

Mobile indices contained no reference to previous investigation concerning ROY JAMES who, according to referenced airtel, had been arrested 9/28/62 at Birmingham.

Concerning JAMES GEORGE ROBINSON, investigation has been conducted in this case concerning this individual as JIMMIE GEORGE ROBINSON. Memphis should refer to Dallas teletype to the Bureau and Mobile, 4/10/68, airmail copies to Memphis and Birmingham, in which Dallas reported the elimination of JIMMIE GEORGE ROBINSON.

Accordingly, there is no investigation for Mobile concerning referenced Memphis airtel, 4/11/68.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel to Mobile, 4/12/68, which transmitted two copies of a letter from Miss LOUISE NOLF, 1211 Girard Street, Akron, Ohio, 4/9/68.

This note furnished information concerning Alabama license 3-34652.

For the information of the Bureau, information from Miss NOLF was furnished to Mobile by telephone from Birmingham, 4/8/68, and investigation was conducted at Montgomery, 4/8-9/68.

The car in question had been sold recently by RAY M. CLINE of Montgomery to DONELL RAY KINCAID, 1036 Zephyr Hills, Montgomery, Alabama, who, according to Mrs. CLINE, was from Cleveland, Ohio, and had left Montgomery, Alabama, on 4/6/68 for a visit to his home in Ohio.

Records of the Hornshaw Manufacturing Co., of Montgomery, where KINCAID is employed, were checked and verified that he had worked from 7:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on 3/29/68 and also on 4/3, 4 and 5/68.

Information concerning the elimination of KINCAID, the owner of this car, was furnished to Birmingham and Memphis by airtel, 4/10/68.

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Mobile teletype to the Bureau, Memphis and
Birmingham, 4/15/68.

Enclosed for Birmingham and Memphis is photograph
of NOAH JEFFERSON GARDEN, 2359 West Hillwood Road, Mobile, Ala.,
who was suggested as a possible suspect in Birmingham tel to
the Bureau, 4/15/68. GARDEN is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	
Place	College Park, Ga.
Height	6'3 1/2"
Weight	195
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Ruddy
Education	Three years college
Tattoos	"Marine Air Corps" on left shoulder
USMC Serial No.	425255
FBI No.	812741E

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Birmingham and Memphis are requested to exhibit CARDEN's photograph in order to determine any possible connection with this case.

The FBI Identification Div. is requested to compare the fingerprints of CARDEN under FBI #812741E with the questioned fingerprints obtained in this case.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-2627)(P)

FROM : SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/15/68

On 4/11/68, CARLOS JOHNSON, who identified himself as a S/Sgt. at Gunter AFB, AFSN 44106490, residing at 186 East Salem Dr., Montgomery, Alabama, telephonically advised that he had just had a minor automobile accident with an individual who identified himself as WILLARD N. DEPUTY, JR., 104 Glen Oak Rd., Woodland Park, Wilmington, Delaware. He said this individual was driving a 1967 Chevrolet, which had been rented from the Hertz Drive-It-Yourself Co. at Dannelly Field and bore 1968 Alabama license 3-14047. He said that this individual was staying at the Holiday Inn, Midtown, Montgomery, Ala.

JOHNSON advised that after he arrived home and looked at a photograph which had appeared in the Montgomery paper of the suspect in the Murkin case, he felt that DEPUTY was a good-alike of the suspect. He said the reason for his calling is the fact that DEPUTY in talking with him, was asking questions about the racial situation in and around Montgomery, and how the local people felt about the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING. He said that he and DEPUTY made a settlement on the spot, and DEPUTY paid him \$50 for damages to his car.

He described DEPUTY as about 5'9", crewcut, blond hair, wearing sunglasses, appeared to be in his early forties, and weighing about 160-165 pounds. He said DEPUTY indicated he was employed by an aviation corporation out of Delaware. He indicated that he had been stationed at Maxwell AFB at one time. He told JOHNSON that he was in Montgomery on business.

Efforts to locate DEPUTY at the Holiday Inn on the night of 4/11/68 were negative; however, he was contacted the morning of 4/12/68 in room 318, and he advised that he is WILLARD N. DEPUTY, JR. and resides at 104 Glen Oak Rd., Woodland Park, Wilmington, Delaware. He stated that he is



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employed by the Atlantic Aviation Corp., New Castle County, Delaware. He advised in this connection he is a pilot for the DuPont Co., and that he flies their executives over the U. S.

The following is a description of DEPUTY obtained from observation and from him:

Height:	6'2"
Weight	200 pounds
Complexion	Fair
Age	40
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown; wears glasses and has worn glasses since the age of 6.

He does not resemble the photograph of the individual who appeared in the local Montgomery papers.

He advised that on March 29, 1968, according to his diary, he was in Beaumont, Texas, Memphis, Tenn., and Wilmington, Delaware. He said that on 4/4/68 he was in Houston, Texas. He advised that if necessary to vouch for his whereabouts, Mr. LESTER SINESS, Vice President of Dupont Corp., could vouch for his whereabouts on 3/29/68, and that the co-pilot, JOE PHIEMANN, could account for his whereabouts on 4/4/68.

Inasmuch as the description of DEPUTY does not in any way compare with the description of the suspect, and in view of the fact that he does not resemble in any way the photograph of the suspect appearing in the papers, no further investigation is recommended in this matter at this time.

The above interview of DEPUTY on 4/12/68 was conducted by SAS CLIFFORD A. ROWE and GERALD O. GRAYBILL.

BAC, MOBILE (44-439) (P)

4/15/68

SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE

**RACIAL SITUATION
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
RM**

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Source: MILLS M. COWLING, JR. (PROTECT IDENTITY)
Date Contacted: 4/1/68, 4/6/68, and 4/9/68
Contacting Agent: SA CLIFFORD A. ROWE
Reliability: Source has furnished reliable information in the past.

On 4/1/68, source was contacted, and he advised that he had learned of no activity underway in the Montgomery, Ala. area which would cause, or bring about, any type of racial activity. He said that, from all information he is able to determine, the racial situation in Montgomery, Ala. is rather calm. He advised if he learned of anything he would immediately contact the writer.

On 4/6/68, source advised that he had made some photographs of the picture of the suspect that appeared in the MONTGOMERY ADVERTISER on the morning of 4/6/68, which is an artist's conception, which appeared on the UPI Telephoto Service. These photographs were made available to the writer on the morning of 4/6/68.

On 4/9/68, at about 11:30 A.M., source advised that he had learned that some Negroes had applied for a permit on 4/8/68 to march in Wetumpka, Ala. on 4/9/68. He said that, according to his information, the permit was denied, and there were some indications that the Negroes would try to march anyway. He stated as of the time of his information there had been no activity in Wetumpka regarding any march.

At about 3:00 P.M., the writer checked with Mr. W. L. GLENN, Postmaster, Wetumpka, Ala., which is located on the square in the city, and he stated there were no marches or demonstrations to his knowledge taking place in Wetumpka; however, he advised that he had heard that a group of Negroes had applied for a permit the day before to march on 4/9/68, but the permit had been denied.

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At 4:45 P.M. on 4/9/68, Assistant Chief Of Police ODO BECKER, Wetumpka, Ala. Police Department, advised that there had been no demonstrations or any type of racial activity in Wetumpka, Ala. He stated there had been no effort made to march on the part of the Negroes in Wetumpka, Ala.

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To: SAC, Springfield (44-381)
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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None of information furnished, no fingerprint record located Identification Division files of MURKIN CR.

Unidentified latent fingerprints this case are not identical with fingerprints of following persons, one of whom may be identical with named suspect:

ROBERT HENRY GALT, born [redacted], Elgin, Illinois
ROBERT HENRY GALT, born [redacted], Charleston, Pa.

No palm prints have for these individuals.

- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 1 - Chicago (44-1114)
- 1 - Mobile
- 1 - Birmingham (44-1746)
- 1 - Houston (44-1988)
- 1 - New York (44-1000)

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FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)

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Re Miami teletype to Bureau, 4/12/68, with copies to offices receiving this communication; and Charlotte telephone call to Richmond, 4/13/68.

Investigation, Charlotte Division, 4/13/68, failed to reflect any significant information concerning JOHN A. GALT, who is mentioned in referenced teletype as departing Greensboro, N. C., at 2:01 PM, 4/9/68, via Eastern Air Lines Flight 621 for Atlanta, Ga., and thereafter departing Atlanta for Houston, Texas.

Investigation, Greensboro, N. C., failed to reflect any information identifiable with Associated Pipeline Contractors and on 4/13/68, and on 4/13/68 pertinent information contained in retel pertaining to JOHN A. GALT was furnished telephonically to the Richmond Division with the request that GALT's point of contact concerning his airline reservations be checked out for any further identifiable information.

Referenced teletype reflected GALT's contact point as telephone number 793-2731, Room 608, Danville, Va.

Investigation continuing at Charlotte.

- 2 - Richmond
 - 1 - Atlanta (44-2386)
 - 1 - Birmingham (44-1740)
 - 2 - Houston
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TO DIRECTOR, 44-38861 MOBILE, MEMPHIS 44-1987
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740

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TO ENABLE MOBILE TO COVER LEADS, FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RETEL; REGISTRATION CARD BEARS NAME ERIC S. GALT AND DATE OF REGISTRATION IS DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST. BLANK PAPER OBTAINED FROM TELEPHONE BOOK AT MOTEL CONTAINED RRTHER EXTENSIVE INDENTED WRITING. FOLLOWING NAMES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF POSSIBLE SIGNIFICANCE DEVELOPED: FIVE TWO FOUR - ONE ONE THREE ONE, TWO EIGHT EIGHT - THREE NINE ZERO FOUR, FOUR EIGHT TWO - ZERO EIGHT NINE FOUR, EIGHT NINE NINE - THREE ZERO SIX ONE. FOREGOING NUMBERS APPEAR TO BE TELEPHONE NUMBERS. IN ADDITION, WORDS EITHER "HERBIE" OR CAN BE INTERPRETED AS "SHIRLEY" WITH LAST NAME POSSIBLY "PORICH" OR PORICK", ALSO NUMBER THREE SIX ONE NINE - ROBERT". ALSO NAME INTERPRETED AS 2JANE PENNEY" OR FENNEY".
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