

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : EACH SENIOR RA and
SA CATLIN, ROBINSON

FROM : SAC ALEXANDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 4/10/68

There is attached a picture of the laundry marking on shorts and T-shirt left at the scene of the crime in Memphis. Efforts are being made to identify this marking.

Montgomery, Dothan, Opelika are specifically instructed to recontact the outlets for the Textile Marking Co. of Syracuse, N.Y., which this marking is allegedly the product of.

It should be noted that the attached picture is a reproduction and the colors are not too good. The original picture received shows the laundry marking to be composed of red tape with the letters and numerals in black.

Any leads of a positive nature must be telephoned to the office.

1 - SA ROBINSON 1 - SA CATLIN

6 - 1 ea. SRA

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April 16, 1968

Date

RE: MURKIN

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

The attached photographs are to be retained in the personal possession of the SAC until otherwise instructed by the Bureau.

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TO: BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

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MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL, APRIL TWENTYTWO INSTANT.

INQUIRIES, ALA. MVD, MONTGOMERY, ALA., THIS DATE, REVEALS TAG RECEIPT FOR LICENSE NG TWO SIX NINE ONE NOT ON FILE. THIS LICENSE PLATE SENT TO BARBOUR COUNTY, ALA., FOR ISSUANCE. TAG RECEIPT FOR SIXTYSEVEN LICENSE NG TWO SIX NINE ONE, INDICATES WAS ISSUED NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTYSIX, TO DALTON MURPHY, CADLE, ALA., FOR SIXTYSIX FORD MUSTANG, TWO-DOOR, VIN SIX F ZERO SEVEN T THREE SIX EIGHT FOUR SIX ONE. THIS LICENSE EXPIRED NOVEMBER FIFTEEN LAST. INQUIRIES THROUGH JUDGE OF PROBATE, BARBOUR COUNTY, CLAYTON, ALA., REVEALED INSTANT SIXTYEIGHT LICENSE NOT YET ISSUED.

BIRMINGHAM AT CADLE, ALA., LOCATE AND INTERVIEW DALTON MURPHY.

DOS:crb

(1) *CRB*Approved: *WMA*
Special Agent in Charge

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203 PM URGENT 4/23/68 MMH
TO BIRMINGHAM, MOBILE AND MEMPHIS
FROM JACKSONVILLE /44-769/ 2P

MURKIN.

MARY ALICE HICKEY, ABC LIQUORS, U. S. TWENTYSEVEN NORTH, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., ADVISED INDIVIDUAL ENTERED THAT STORE TEN FIFTEEN AM THIS DATE AND PURCHASED HALF PINT VODKA AND ORANGE JUICE AND SPOKE WITH COUNTRY ACCENT. HICKEY STATED INDIVIDUAL APPEARED IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL RAY, WHOSE PHOTOGRAPHY AND DESCRIPTION SHE HAD SEEN IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER.

INDIVIDUAL WAS DRIVING RED GMC TRUCK WITH RAIL AROUND BED AND ALA. LICENSE. VEHICLE HAD "AAA REST UNKNOWN" GADSDEN, ALA. ON DOOR. HICKEY ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN LICENSE AS VEHICLE DEPARTED AND BELIEVES ALA. LICENSE TO BE ONE TWO - ONE TWO THREE NINE SEVEN. - 0

INVESTIGATION IN AREA HAS FAILED TO LOCATE VEHICLE OR ANY ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE DATA.

BIRMINGHAM AT GADSDEN, WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AN "AAA" COMPANY, POSSIBLY STEEL COMPANY, IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY VEHICLE.
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MOBILE AT MONTGOMERY, WILL DETERMINE REGISTRATION OF ALA. LICENSE ONE TWO - ONE TWO THREE NINE SEVEN TO DETERMINE IF ISSUED TO VEHICLE OF ABOVE DESCRIPTION.

INVESTIGATION AT TALLAHASSEE CONTINUING.

SUTEL.

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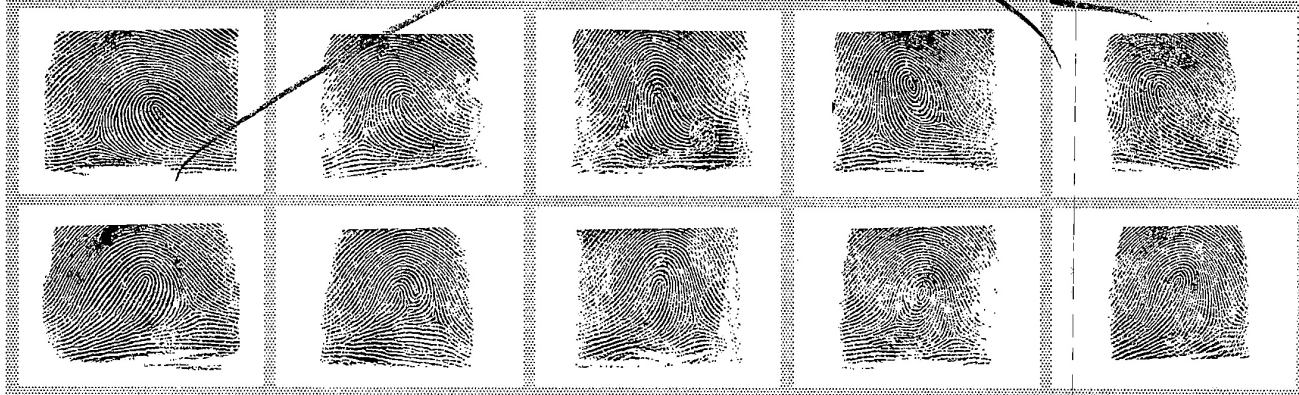
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INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY**

WANTED BY FBI

JAMES EARL RAY

FBI No. 405,942 G
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ALIASES: Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron, Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride, James O'Connor, James Walton, James Walyon, John Willard, "Jim"



Photographs taken 1960

Photograph taken 1968
(eyes drawn by artist)



James Ray

DESCRIPTION

AGE: 40, born March 10, 1928, Alton, Illinois
HEIGHT: 5' 10" EYES: blue
WEIGHT: 163 to 174 pounds COMPLEXION: medium
BUILD: medium RACE: white
HAIR: brown, possibly cut short NATIONALITY: American
OCCUPATIONS: baker, color matcher, laborer
SCARS AND MARKS: small scar on center of forehead and small scar on palm of right hand
REMARKS: noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf; allegedly attended dance instruction school; has reportedly completed course in bartending

CRIMINAL RECORD

Ray has been convicted of burglary, robbery, forging U. S. Postal Money Orders, armed robbery, and operating motor vehicle without owner's consent.

CAUTION

RAY IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. VICTIM WAS SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

A Federal warrant was issued on April 17, 1968, at Birmingham, Alabama, charging Ray as Eric Starvo Galt with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241). A Federal warrant was also issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Missouri, charging Ray with Interstate Flight to Avoid Confinement in the case of Robbery (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1073).

**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE.
TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.**

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TO : BIRMINGHAM AND JACKSONVILLE
FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN.

RE JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE TODAY.

RECORDS ALABAMA MVD, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, REFLECT
SIXTY EIGHT LICENSE ~~SEVEN~~ ^{ONE} TWO DASH ONE TWO THREE NINE SEVEN
ISSUED DECEMBER ELEVENTH LAST TO ELLEN HULL, LANGDALE,
ALABAMA, FOR A SIXTY FOUR PONTIAC TWO-DOOR, VIN EIGHT TWO FOUR
P ONE EIGHT EIGHT THREE TWO FIVE. NO REPLACEMENT TAG HAS
BEEN ISSUED FOR THIS VEHICLE. NO STOLEN REPORT THIS LICENSE,
AST, MONTGOMERY.

NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED RE THIS REGISTRATION
UAC.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AM. P.

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

Re: Suspect JOSEPH CLAYTON MONTAGNE

Re Chicago Teletype, April 20, 1967.

LUCILLE HASSEY, Montgomery, Alabama, reported RAY HILBURN visited her home 4/17/68. His whereabouts are unknown except reportedly planned to seek employment at Continental Gin Company, Prattville, Alabama.

Inquiry at Continental Gin Company revealed HILBURN not employed. He did resign April 17, 1968. Before employment at Prattville, HILBURN employed BILL'S Standard Station 3266 West Devon Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Mobile continuing efforts to locate HILBURN.

Chicago inquire BILL'S Standard Station, Chicago.

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- 2 - Memphis
- 2 - Chicago (44-1114)
- 2 - Jackson (157-1586)
- 2 - New Orleans (157-10678)
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911 PM URGENT 4/23/68 ALS
TO MOBILE
FROM TAMPA (157-3231)

MURKIN: CR. OO:ME.

RE MOBILE TELTYPE TO JACKSONVILLE FOUR TWENTY TWO LAST AND
JACKSONVILLE TELETYPE TO TAMPA FOUR TWENTY THREE LAST.

JACKSONVILLE ADVISED NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT FLA. LICENSE THREE
W - SIX TWO THREE THREE ZERO REGISTERED TO ROBERT D. WEIR, FIVE
ONE ZERO FIVE AND ONE-HALF SUWANEE, TAMPA ON A NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT
CHEVROLET.

ROBERT D. WEIR IDENTICAL TO ROBERT DONALD WEIR, TPD NUMBER
ONE THREE FOUR ONE ONE TWO, FBI NUMBER SEVEN NINE ONE EIGHT SIX TWO
F. WEIR DESCRIBED W/M, DOB [REDACTED] NEWNAN,
GA., FIVE FT. SIX IN., ONE FIVE FOUR LBS., BROWN EYES, BLACK HAIR.
PHOTO OF WEIR REFLECTS SOME SIMILARITIES TO RAY, BUT NOT IDENTICAL.

NEIGHBOR ADVISED WEIR NOT IDENTICAL TO PHOTO JAMES EARL RAY.

WEIR'S WIFE ADVISED WEIR DRIVING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT TAN
CHEVROLET CONVERTIBLE AND VISITING NEICE, NAME UNKNOWN, NEAR
MONTGOMERY, ALA. WEIR RESIDENT OF TAMPA SINCE TEN SIXTY-FIVE AND
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BRACK LEFT LEG FROM ACCIDENT ELEVEN SIXTY-FIVE.. WIFE WILL BE IN
CONTACT WITH WEIR EVENING FOUR TWENTY-THREE AND WILL REQUEST HE
CONTACT MONTGOMERY RA FOUR TWENTY-FOUR.

MOBILE ADVISE TAMPA IF WEIR NOT IN CONTACT IN ORDER THAT WEIR
MAY BE INTERVIEWED UPON RETURN TO TAMPA TO VERIFY OCCUPANT OF
VEHICLE MONTGOMERY FOUR TWENTY-TWO LAST.

JACKSONVILLE AND MEMPHIS ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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TO: SAC'S BIRMINGHAM (44-1740), JACKSONVILLE AND
MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN.

ON INSTANT DATE BILL DUHON, ADDRESS FIFTEEN HUNDRED
FOURTEENTH AVE., S., BIRMINGHAM, ALA., TELEPHONE THREE TWO
THREE - SEVEN EIGHT SIX EIGHT ~~PAREN PROTECT IDENTITY PAREN,~~
~~WHO IS PRESENTLY BEING CONTACTED BY SA DON GUTHRIE, BIRMING-~~
~~HAM DIV.,~~ CONTACTED BUREAU AGENTS, MONTGOMERY, ALA., THIS
DATE AND ADVISED HE WAS ON DEEP SEA FISHING BOAT NAMED
"CHARLIE" OUT OF PANAMA CITY, FLA., ON APR. TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT,
FROM TWO A.M. THROUGH FIVE P.M. DUHON ADVISED HE SAW
INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING SUBJECT ON THAT BOAT AND CONVERSED
WITH HIM DURING ENTIRE TRIP. DUHON ADVISED HE HAD WANTED
FLYER OF SUBJECT IN HIS POCKET AT THAT TIME. THIS INDIVIDUAL
ALLEGEDLY TOLD DUHON HE FORMERLY RESIDED IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA.,

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FOR ONE YEAR ABOUT TEN TO TWELVE BLOCKS FROM S. FOURTEENTH ST. INDIVIDUAL TOLD DUHON HE WAS IN SOME TYPE OF TROUBLE BUT FAILED TO ELABORATE.

WAITRESS NAMED MARY, WHO WORKS IN RESTAURANT NEXT TO LOUNGE, PANAMA CITY, BOAT LANDING, ALLEGEDLY TALKED TO SAME INDIVIDUAL WHO TOLD HER HE HAD BEEN IN PANAMA CITY, FLA., AREA AT A HOTEL FOR THREE DAYS.

DUHON ADVISED ALL PASSENGERS OF FISHING BOAT NAMED "CHARLIE" SIGNED A REGISTER BEFORE PUTTING TO SEA. SEVERAL PASSENGERS ON BOAT SAW THIS INDIVIDUAL WHO RESEMBLED SUBJECT: ONE. ABBOTT FRANKFORD, TV SALESMAN, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; TWO. TOM TINGLE, LANDLORD OF DUHON, FIFTEEN HUNDRED FOURTEENTH AVE., S., BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; THREE. DON SHIRLEY, THREE FOUR TWO EIGHT OLD COLUMBIA ROAD, BIRMINGHAM.

INDIVIDUAL ALLEGEDLY GOT INTO A FIFTYSEVEN FOUR-DOOR CHEVROLET, WHITE OVER GREEN, POSSIBLE ALA. LICENSE WITH LAST THREE DIGITS NINE NINE ONE, OWNED BY THIS INDIVIDUAL'S FRIEND. DUHON DESCRIBED INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING SUBJECT AS

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FOLLOWS: WM, FIVE FT. NINE, ONE SIXTYFIVE - ONE SEVENTYFIVE LBS., AGE APPROXIMATELY THIRTYSIX, BROWN EYES, HAIR DYED A REDDISH BLOND WITH EYEBROWS DARK BROWN AND NOT DYED, GREEN AND WHITE SHIRT, WHITE TENNIS SHOES, DARK TROUSERS.

SECOND INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED BY DUHON WHO ALLEGEDLY OWNED FIFTYSEVEN CHEVROLET WAS: WM, TWENTYSIX, SIX FT. ONE, ONE EIGHTY LBS., BROWN HAIR, SLENDER BUILD, ALLEGEDLY LIVED FIFTEENTH AVE., PANAMA CITY, FLA., POSSIBLY A MACHINIST.

DUHON ADVISED INDIVIDUAL WHO RESEMBLED SUBJECT KNEW THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: ERNEST POWELL, EXTERMINATOR BUSINESS, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; MANAGER OF THE REDMONT HOTEL, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; OWNER OF BARBECUE PIT, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

JACKSONVILLE AND BIRMINGHAM DIVS. CONDUCT IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION PANAMA CITY, FLA., AND BIRMINGHAM, ALA., TO VERIFY INFORMATION AND TO LOCATE SUSPECT TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT. P.

Armed and Dangerous

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Special Agent in Charge

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RE: WILBUR C. WILLARD,
Eastern Airlines Flight
April 10, 1968, from
Montgomery, Alabama to
Springfield, Missouri

Eastern Airlines records reflect that ticket number 007-251-271-264, was issued to W. C. WILLARD, Montgomery, Alabama, resident phone 273-7411, for a flight April 10, 1968, 7:15 a.m. to Springfield, Missouri, via Atlanta, Georgia and St. Louis, Missouri.

The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent GERALD O. GRAYBILL:

On April 13, 1968, it was determined that W. C. WILLARD was Regional Director of the Mid-West National Insurance Company, Montgomery, Alabama, and resides at 5555 South McDonough Street, Apartment 25-B. He was out of town as of that date.

WILBUR C. WILLARD on April 16, 1968, advised that his permanent home address is 405 Lincoln Street, Aurora, Missouri, and he is in Montgomery, Alabama, directing the opening of several new offices for the Mid-West National Insurance Company, which company has its main office in Springfield, Missouri. He said that he left Montgomery, Alabama on April 10, 1968, for Springfield, Missouri by way of Atlanta and St. Louis, and returned to Montgomery on April 15, 1968. His home phone is 263-7411 and business phone in Montgomery is 272-7251.

WILLARD advised that on April 4, 1968, he had been in Sylacauga, Alabama, until late in the afternoon before returning to Montgomery about 8:00 p.m., hearing of the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., after his arrival in Montgomery.

From observation it was determined that WILLARD is about 5'8" tall, and is almost completely bald. He is

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40 years of age, and his facial features do not resemble the photograph of the suspect ERIC STARVO GALT.

He advised that he could furnish no information concerning ERIC STARVO GALT or JOHN WILLARD.

4/23/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference is made to Miami teletype, 11 p.m.,
4/12/68, concerning a check of Eastern Airlines tickets.

Enclosed herewith are 25 copies of an insert
reflecting investigation concerning W. C. WILLARD, who had a
flight on 4/10/68 from Montgomery, Ala., to Springfield,
Missouri.

2 - Memphis (Enc. 25)
2 - Mobile
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JTB:jh

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RE: 1963 Rambler with Georgia
license plates seen April
8, 1968, near Citronelle,
Alabama, by ROBERT DUVAL ROGERS

The following investigation was conducted on
April 18, 1968, by Special Agent CHARLES A. BOYLE, JR.:

Mr. J. CHANCELLOR, Route 7, Deer Park, Alabama, which is located North of Citronelle, Alabama, near the intersection of Highway 45 and Highway 17, advised that he could recall no 1963 Rambler speeding through that community in the area of the intersection of Highway 17 and Highway 45. He stated that any speeding automobile with an out of state license would have caused considerable comment in this rural area and he had heard nothing concerning such a vehicle. CHANCELLOR was unable to identify the photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT and advised that he had known of no one by the name of GALT or HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD.

On the same date the following individuals were recontacted regarding this 1963 Rambler, in the Citronelle-Deer Park, Alabama area, and all advised that they could furnish no information concerning this car or concerning anyone by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD:

JOE SELLERS, Chief of Police, Mt. Vernon, Alabama;
FREEMAN FLOYD, Alabama State Troopers;
BLAKE ODOM, Deer Park, Alabama;
GEORGE DEES, Rural Route, Deer Park, Alabama;
JUDSON SULLIVAN, Sheriff, Washington County,
Chatom, Alabama;
SHERWOOD DEES, Rural Route, Deer Park, Alabama.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Jackson teletype to Mobile and Atlanta,
1:45 p.m., 4/17/68, concerning 1963
Rambler seen by ROBERT DUVAL ROGERS near
Citronelle, Ala., 4/8/68.

Enclosed herewith are 25 copies of an insert
reflecting investigation conducted 4/18/68, which developed
no pertinent information concerning this car.

2 - Memphis (Enc. 25)

② - Mobile

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Reference is made to Birmingham teletype, 4/17/68, setting forth information from a Birmingham PCI concerning one SHAW GALT (PHONETIC) whom she had met through THOMAS JOSEPH COX.

On 4/18/68, a recontact was made with the credit bureau and with the seaman unions, SIU and NMU. Both of these sources had previously been contacted regarding suspect ERIC STARVO GALT. They could give information concerning SHAW GALT.

Mobile indices are negative concerning SHAW GALT.

These negative contacts are recorded in the Mobile file and no insert of this negative investigation is being submitted to Memphis.

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2 - Birmingham (44-1740)
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ADDENDUM: This information was by DANIEL W. MC ALLEN, III and the contacts were as follows:

MARY DUGGAN, Credit Bureau
MINNI WHITTMANN, MO PD
WILLIAM WADE, MO SO
Sgt. HINTON, Prichard PD

Mr. FISHER, SIU
DEWEY CANNON, NMU
Mrs. LOUISE SESSE,
Local AFL-CIO

Mobile, Alabama
4/22/68

MEMO ALL AGENTS:

RE: MURKIN

Bureau teletype, 4/22/68, instructed that all leads in this case must be covered within 24 hours and all leads must be set forth by telephone or teletype.

Insure that any pervious stops placed with any facility should include all names used by the subject.

Bureau has instructed that contact be made with all Criminal Informants and Racial and Security Informants concerning Subject RAY.

Wanted Flyers #442 and 442A have been furnished you.

~~W. M. ALEXANDER, SAC~~

50 - 1 each Agent
1 - SAC
1 - ASAC
1 - Supvr. CONNORS
① - 157-2627
1 - 66-22
MEMO ALL AGENTS #195
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Mobile, Alabama
April 22, 1968

MEMO ALL AGENTS:

RE: MURKIN - COST DATA

MOBILE DEADLINE - ALL AGENTS - 4/30/68

Memphis has advised that the Bureau has instructed as follows:

"Please furnish following information on above matter compiled or estimated through 4/30/68, and thereafter submit cumulative totals through the end of each month until further notice:

- 1) Number of man hours spent on case broken down as to regular hours, overtime hours, and total man hours by following employees (separate figures for each class of employees shown):
 - A. Special Agents
 - B. Clerical Employees
- 2) Total mileage (estimated or actual) traveled by Bucars used on case. Include mileage for cars traveling to and from other field offices on special assignment and any personally-owned cars.
- 3) Any unusual or out-of-ordinary costs, such as cost of chartering airplane, rental of special office space, leased telephone lines, etc. These should be itemized and cost of each item shown.

50 - 1 each Agent

1 - SAC

1 - ASAC

1 - Supvr. CONNORS

① - 157-2627

1 - 66-22

MEMO ALL AGENTS #196

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- 4) Peak number of Special Agents working on case during month for which report is submitted.

Memphis has requested that this information be submitted by each office as of the close of business 4/30/68 (and at the close of business last day of each succeeding month) to reach Memphis within two work days after the close of each month. Accordingly, each agent is to send a routing slip to SA BOSTON as of 4/30/68 without fail, listing the information broken down as indicated above. This routing slip must be submitted on 4/30/68, and all agents are to submit this routing slip even though the agent may have no information to report thereon.

WMA
W. M. ALEXANDER, SAC

4-23-68

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO ATLANTA AND MEMPHIS

FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN.

RE MOBILE TEL TO BIRMINGHAM, JACKSONVILLE AND MEMPHIS APRIL TWENTYTHREE SIXTYEIGHT.

FOR INFORMATION ATLANTA RE TEL ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

ON INSTANT DATE BILL DUNON, ADDRESS FIFTEEN HUNDRED FOURTEENTH AVE., S., BIRMINGHAM, ALA., TELEPHONE THREE TWO THREE SEVEN EIGHT SIX EIGHT, CONTACTED BUREAU AGENTS, MONTGOMERY, ALA., THIS DATE AND ADVISED HE WAS ON DEEP SEA FISHING BOAT NAMED "CHARLIE" OUT OF PANAMA CITY, FLA., ON APR. TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT, FROM TWO A.M. THROUGH FIVE P.M. DUNON ADVISED HE SAW INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING SUBJECT ON THAT BOAT AND CONVERSED WITH HIM DURING ENTIRE TRIP. DUNON ADVISED HE HAD WANTED FLYER OF SUBJECT IN HIS POCKET AT THAT TIME. THIS INDIVIDUAL ALLEGEDLY TOLD DUNON HE FORMERLY RESIDED IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA., FOR ONE YEAR ABOUT TEN TO TWELVE BLOCKS FROM S. FOURTEENTH ST. INDIVIDUAL TOLD DUNON HE WAS IN SOME TYPE OF TROUBLE BUT FAILED TO ELABORATE."

WALTRISS NAMED MARY, WHO WORKS IN RESTAURANT NEAR PANAMA CITY BOAT LANDING, ALLEGEDLY TALKED TO SOME INDIVIDUAL

(1) MOBILE (Am)
1-BIRMINGHAM
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TOLD HE HAD BEEN IN PANAMA CITY, FLA., AREA AT A MOTEL FOR
THREE DAYS.

DUNON ADVISED ALL PASSENGERS OF FISHING BOAT NAMED "CHARLEY"
SIGNED A REGISTER BEFORE PUTTING TO SEA. SEVERAL PASSENGERS ON
BOAT SAW THIS INDIVIDUAL WHO RESEMBLED SUBJECT: ONE, ARNOTT
F. LARSEN, JR. SALEMAN, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; TWO, TOM LITTLE, LAND-
LORD OF DUNON, FIFTEEN HUNDRED FOURTEENTH AVE., S., BIRMINGHAM,
ALA.; THREE, DON SETALEY, THREE FOUR TWO EIGHT OLD COLUMBIA ROAD,
BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

INDIVIDUAL ALLEGEDLY GOT INTO A FIFTYSEVEN FORD CHEVROLET,
FIVE ONE SEVEN, POSSIBLE ALA. LICENSE WITH LAST THREE DIGITS
THREE NINE ONE, OWNED BY THIS INDIVIDUAL'S FRIEND. DUNON DESCRIBED
INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING SUBJECT AS FOLLOWS: WM, FIVE FT. NINE,
ONE SEVENTYFIVE - ONE SEVENTYFIVE LBS., AGE APPROXIMATELY THIRTYSIX,
BROWN EYES, HAIR DYED A REDDISH BLOND WITH EYEBROWS DARK BROWN AND
NOT DYED, GREEN AND WHITE SHIRT, WHITE TENNIS SHOES, DARK TIGHTS."

SECOND INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED BY DUNON WHO ALLEGEDLY OWNED
FIFTYSEVEN CHEVROLET, CAL: WM, TWENTYSIX, SIX FT. ONE, ONE EIGHTY
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LBS., BROWN HAIR, SLENDER BUILD, ALLEGEDLY LIVED FIFTEENTH AVE., PANAMA CITY, FLA., POSSIBLY A MACHINIST."

"DUHON ADVISED INDIVIDUAL WHO RESEMBLED SUBJECT KNEW THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: ERNEST POWELL, EXTERMINATOR BUSINESS, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; MANAGER OF THE REDMONT HOTEL, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.; OWNER OF GARDEQUE PIT, BIRMINGHAM, ALA."

"JACKSONVILLE AND BIRMINGHAM DIVS. CONDUCT IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION PANAMA CITY, FLA., AND BIRMINGHAM, ALA., TO VERIFY INFORMATION AND TO LOCATE SUSPECT TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT. P."

"ARMED AND DANGEROUS."

MRS. BILL DUHON, FIFTEEN HUNDRED FOURTEENTH AVE., S., BIRMINGHAM, ADVISED TONIGHT HER HUSBAND HAS NOT RETURNED FROM MONTGOMERY, ALA.

MRS. EVELYN BELYEU, MANAGER OF REDMONT HOTEL, BIRMINGHAM, ADVISED OWNER OF HOTEL, CLIFF STILES, WAS IN PANAMA CITY, FLA., APRIL TWENTY LAST AND PRESENTLY ATTENDING CONVENTION OF HOTEL-MOTEL ASSOCIATION IN ATLANTA. NAME OF HOTEL UNKNOWN IN ATLANTA, STILES PROBABLY STAYING AT HOTEL WHERE CONVENTION BEING HELD.

ATLANTA LOCATE AND INTERVIEW STILES AND DISPLAY PHOTO OF SUBJECT TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL TO INDIVIDUAL ON FISHING BOAT
END PAGE THREE

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"CHARLIE" AS INDICATED BY DUION.

EFFORTS CONTINUING TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW OTHER INDIVIDUALS
RESIDING IN BIRMINGHAM.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MOBILE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

4/24/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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

RE: SEARCH OF RECORDS DRIVER'S LICENSE
DIVISION FOR WHITE MALES BORN [REDACTED]

Re Bureau teletype 10:09 p.m., 4/16/68 and Memphis
teletype 10:40 a.m., 4/17/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
DAN O. STEPHENS:

On 4/18/68, Mrs. GAYNOR TURNER, IBM Section, Driver's
License Division, Alabama Department of Public Safety,
Montgomery, Alabama, advised that a search of all their
current licenses through the computer system of that office
resulted in the location of 36 white male current license
holders having DOB [REDACTED]. She advised that records of
past holders of Alabama Driver's Licenses would be searched
separately.

Inasmuch as the subject has been identified,
investigation concerning these license holders as suggested in
Memphis teletype 4/17/68 is not being conducted and Mrs.
TURNER has been notified not to search records of her office
further.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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

Reference is made to Memphis airtel to Bureau, 4/19/68 requesting that check be made of custodial institutions for releases May through July, 1967.

In view of the fact that subject has been identified, this lead will not be covered.

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Mobile
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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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

RE: BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS RECORD
CHECKS FOR MALES BORN

Re Bureau teletype 8:17 p.m., 4/12/68 instructing that Bureau of Vital Statistics records be checked for all male births on specifically for ERIC STARVO GALT JOHN WILLARD and HARVEY LOWMYER as well as all variations of these names.

Mobile teletype to Bureau and Memphis 4/15/68 reported that BVS records for Alabama contain no record under the names of GALT, WILLARD or LOWMYER or variations of these names. RALPH W. ROBERTS, Registrar, advised that to check records of all male births would entail the checking of all records of that office for a period 1928 through 1932 as birth records are recorded in 5 year periods and not listed as to specific date or as to male or female. He said to check these records would require about 3 weeks and the hiring of one additional person as his present personnel would not be able to handle. He estimated that it would cost between \$350 to \$400 to obtain this information.

The Bureau by teletype to Mobile 4/17/68, air mail copy Memphis instructed that in view of estimated cost. Mobile not pursue the identification of all male births and accordingly no further investigation concerning this lead is being conducted.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

FROM : SA ROGER E. FRITZ

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

Re Bureau teletype to all offices dated 4/9/68, requesting immediate telephone contacts with all laundries to identify tag as set forth.

On the morning of 4/10/68, SA FRITZ contacted the below identified laundries and indicated personnel. The identities of these Mobile area laundries was extracted from the Yellow Pages and City Directory listings and augmented by information obtained during the contacts with laundry operators.

These below identified laundry personnel advised they do not use a marking system or code as set forth in referenced teletype and could supply no information as to what laundry uses same.

Burch's Cleaners & Laundry
603 Holcomb Avenue d/b/a
Alladin Laundry
2262 Pleasant Valley Road;
Arrow Laundry
1214 Dauphin Island Parkway;
Mr. C. B. BURCH, Owner, and Mr. S. I. COHEN, co-owner

Consolidated Linen Rental
1775 Saint Stephens Road;
Mr. MERLE WALLACE, Manager

Edwards Cleaning and Laundry
1304 Virginia;
Mrs. M. A. EDWARDS

Fain-Andrews Cleaners and Laundry
123 Telegraph Road
Chickasaw, Alabama;
Mrs. LOIS PITTS, Manager

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Holts Cleaners and Laundry
1722 North Wilson Avenue
Prichard, Alabama
(Company out of business. Did not operate own
laundry. Per Mr. CHARLES WARD, Manager of White
Swan Laundry Company.)

Kelly's Cleaning and Laundry Company
2339 Dauphin Island Parkway;
Mrs. MARY BUCKALAUX, Manager

Nu-Way Laundry
11 North Warren;
Mrs. ALICE M. WILLIAMS, Manager

Paragon Cleaners and Laundry
2222 Dauphin Island Parkway;
Mrs. ANN STOKLEY, Plant Manager

Rolands Cleaners and Laundry
272 North Craft Highway
Chickasaw, Alabama;
Mrs. B. J. DAVIS, Manager

Sam Joy Laundry
407 South Broad;
Mr. TONY CHINN, Plant Manager

Shamrock Laundry
322 South Craft Highway
Prichard, Alabama;
Mr. LEE WALTERS, Owner

Splendid Cleaners, Incorporated
15 North Craft Highway
Prichard, Alabama;
Mrs. ANN WHITEHURST, Assistant Manager

Spotless Cleaners and Laundry
766 South Broad;
Mrs. C. D. O'CONNOR, owner

Vanity Cleaners & Laundry
501 South Broad;
Mr. J. L. RAYFORD, owner

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Victory Cleaners and Laundry
1204 Springhill Avenue;
Mrs. GRACE TANNER, Co-owner

Virginia-Ann Cleaners & Laundry
508 South Ann Street;
Mrs. JOY MERIWETHER, Assistant Manager

In connection with this survey, it is noted that additional Mobile area laundries are listed as follows:

White Swan Laundry
907 Springhill Avenue

Troy Laundry Company
701 Saint Anthony

Imperial Laundry
905 Congress

Palace Laundry
701 Saint Anthony

Chinn Laundry
361 Saint Louis Avenue

With respect to these laundries, the Troy Laundry and Palace Laundry have ceased to exist as such, with portions of their business and equipment being taken over by White Swan and Chinn Laundries. Additionally, portions of each were taken over by the Imperial Laundry, which has also undergone reorganization.

Investigation with regard to White Swan Laundry; Chinn Laundry; and Imperial Laundry, have been conducted by SA's MICHAEL E. STROH and B. TIM McCOY and is set forth by separate reportings.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-2627) (P)

FROM : SA MICHAEL E. STROH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

ReBUTel to all continental offices, 4/9/68.

On 4/9/68, CHARLES WARD, Manager, Palace Laundry, 701 St. Anthony St., was contacted with regard to two Thermo-Seal marking machines manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, N.Y., which were allegedly in the possession of Palace Laundry. WARD advised that when Palace Laundry was purchased by White-Swan Laundry approximately 1/1/68, only one of the Thermo-Seal machines was being used and it was being used for marking clothes going into storage. WARD further advised that the tape being placed on the clothes going into storage is considerably wider than the tape described in referenced teletype. WARD further advised that both Thermo-Seal machines had been sold to Imperial Laundry located at Congress and Broad Sts., approximately six months ago. WARD advised that there are no records of the laundry marks placed on the clothing, as the records had been destroyed after the machines had been disposed of.

WARD further advised that the only tape resembling the type described in re teletype was a pink tape on which was placed green lettering which turned red after heat was applied to it. WARD advised that to the best of his knowledge this same type tape was used by the former owners of the Palace Laundry for marking clothes going into storage.

On 4/9/68, GROVER CLEVELAND DRURY, Manager, Imperial Laundry, Congress and Broad Sts., Mobile, was contacted and he advised that Imperial Laundry had purchased two Thermo-Seal machines from Palace Laundry approximately six weeks ago and that ever since the date of purchase these machines have not been in use.

The serial numbers of the Thermo-Seal machines were checked and they are as follows:

- 1) Model #H5K4, serial # R32535
- 2) Model #H5F, serial # 30549



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As a result of contact with the above laundries it was determined that neither of the machines were ever used for the marking of underwear and T-shirts, but were used instead, because of their size, for marking uniforms and various storage items.

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The following investigation was conducted at Mobile, Alabama, by SA B. TIM McCOY on April 9, 1968:

TOM H. CHIN, President, Chin's Laundry, 361 St. Louis Street, advised approximately seven years ago, he purchased seven Model H5KI Textile Company machines. These machines were manufactured and sold through the Textile Marking Company Plant in Syracuse, New York. They bore the following serial numbers:

R32111
R32112
R32113
R32021
R32167
R31886
R32023

CHIN advised that approximately two years ago, he traded these seven Textile Marking Company machines in on five new Polymark marking machines. He stated the Polymark Corporation would know of the disposition of these machines and he furnished the following address for Polymark:

Polymark, Division of Pinnacle Products Corporation, 587 Route 303, Blaauvelt, New Jersey, telephone number 914-358-8020

MICHAEL J. MATCHEY, 1502 Dauphin #5, was contacted at his residence and furnished the following information:

He advised he is the sales manager for the State of Alabama for Pabst Beer. He advised he has been promoted to the manager of the State of Mississippi for this same company.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, (157-2627)

FROM : SA ALLISON A. CATLIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 4/12/68

The following investigation was conducted by SA ALLISON A. CATLIN on 4/10/68:

RIVA SIMMONS, Swiss Cleaners, Spanish Fort, Alabama, advised that they do not use a Thermo Seal Marking Machine and have all of their laundry done in Mobile. She stated the only place where laundry is done in Baldwin County is at the Fairhope Laundry and all other laundries send in either to Fairhope or Mobile.

JANE ADAMS, Fairhope Laundry, advised their laundry mark is a stamped stencil and she knows of no laundry using a Thermo Seal Stamp Machine. Mrs. L. ADAMS, Bay Minette, Laundry, advised that they use no Thermo Seal Marking Machine and stated it is unfamiliar to her.

The following individuals were contacted who caused a search of their records for any savings, checking, past or present loans, with negative results concerning ERIC S. GALT:

Mr. TOM PARKS, First National Bank of Fairhope, Fairhope, Alabama

NAOMI PILGRIM, Vice-President, Farmers and Merchants Bank of Foley

LOWELL KING, President, South Baldwin Bank

Mr. BOB GULLEDGE, Central Baldwin Bank of Robertsedale

Mrs. ROBERT JAMES, Baldwin County Savings and Loan

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Mrs. ALBERT MC DONALD, Cashier, Bay Minette
County Bank

Mrs. W. O. GARNER, First National Bank of
Bay Minette

Mr. ROBERT TILL, Baldwin County Credit Bureau
Foley, Alabama

The complete list of voting records and members
accepted as registered voters or rejected were personally
checked by the writer at the Baldwin County Judge of Probate
Office with negative results concerning ERIC GALT or any GALT.

MARY HOWELL, Selective Service Board advised she
had no GALT registered.

The telephone directories of Bay Minette, Fairhope
and the Gulf Coast area were checked on all cities with
negative results concerning ERIC GALT.

The following postmasters were checked with
negative results concerning an ERIC GALT:

C. SMITH, Bay Minette

Mrs. A. A. PRUITT, Daphne

Mr. ROBERT MASON, Fairhope

Mr. PETERSON, Foley

Miss ANDREWS, Loxley

Mr. MIDDLETON, Robertsdale

4/5/68.

Michael Joseph Mc Kinnon, owner-manager, Snow-
White Laundry and Cleaners, 905 Parks St., Enterprise, Ala.,
advised he has ~~operated~~ operated this firm for past 17 years
and uses ~~marking device~~ thermal seal marking device
manufactured by Textile Marking Co., Syracuse, N.Y. He uses
6 different colors in no particular order. ~~Other than to~~
~~do~~ He pointed out that he very seldom ever marks
undershirts or shorts and ~~only~~ uses a code consisting
of a number, a letter, a dash and a final number. He
~~does~~ ^{better} not use O or I because they resemble numbers.
Therefore the ~~letter~~ code 02B-6 means nothing to
him and would not have been from his company unless the
O was printed in error. In that case, it would still
have been ~~filed~~ filed under 2B-6. Mc Kinnon said

the numbers are repeated every several ~~weeks~~ months or so and his records show the following customers were issued the number 2B-6:

Date	Customer	Laundry items.
9/19/66	W. L. Cook. Enterprise, Ala.	4 shirts, 2 trousers.
2/27/67	Billy Hutchinson Enterprise, Ala.	3 shirts.
8/7/67	FNU Dickerson No address	1 shirt, 1 pair of trousers.
1/22/68	Faye Walden Level Plains, Ala.	2 shirts, double check.

He said he is personally acquainted with all the above persons with the exception of FNU Dickerson.

He noted that this laundry was obtained thru a "sub station"

Get full names, description.
Check thru indices
Where were they from 4/4/68.

which is the Thrifty Cleaners in Enterprise which
is not equipped for with this type of marker.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Mobile(157-2627)

DATE: 4-11-68

FROM : SA John C. McCluney

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4-11-68 C.A. Davis, superintendent, Capital City Laundry, 505 S. Decatur St., Montgomery, Ala. upon reinterview reported:

The Thermoseal Marking Machine formerly operated by this laundry was placed out of operation about ten years ago. Since then another marking machine has been used. During the years coils and other parts were removed from the Thermoseal Machine. About three months ago Virgil Esco, manager, main plant of Mayfield Laundry, downtown Birmingham, Alabama expressed interest in obtaining the Thermoseal machine.

Davis agreed to send the machine to Mayfield Laundry, with the understanding that if they got it to operating they would purchase it. The machine was sent to Mayfield Laundry about 3 months ago, and exact date is unknown. It was sent to Birmingham by a truck of Phenix Supply Co., Birmingham. There was no pick up order on it, but the machine was taken as a favor to Davis. Phenix Supply Company had delivered supplies to Capital City Laundry, and ~~####~~ took the machine to Birmingham on the return trip.

During the week of April 1, 1968 Esco was in telephonic contact with Davis. Esco stated that his firm had been unable to get coils for the machine and the machine had never been put into operation. The machine therefore has never been ~~####~~ paid for, and it is doubtful that it ever will be.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA John C. McCluney at Montgomery, Alabama:

On 4-9-68 the following persons reported that laundry tag or mark "o2B-6" or "D2B-6" ~~###~~ is not the mark of their laundries:

W.L. Darby, Darby and Sons
Roy Cooper, Torrens Laundry
R.C. Henry, Ideal Laundry
Mrs. Carter Hicks, Jim Massey Laundry

On 4-6-68 C.A. Davis, Capital City Laundry, reported instant laundry tag could not have been made by his firm during past ten years. They have not used a Thermo Seal Marking Machine for ten years. The tags which are placed on their laundry ~~###~~ are one inch long and ~~1/2~~ one half inch wide.
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The following investigation was conducted telephonically by
SA DAN O. STEPHENS at Montgomery, Ala. on 4/11/68:

Mrs. JEWEL JOHNSTON, Laundry Accountant, Base Laundry, Maxwell
AFB, advised that they serve Gunter and Craig AFB, Ala. as well
as Maxwell. She further advised as follows:

They use Thermoseal Marking Machines for their marking. Some
of their marker tape is red. The marker tape that they use is
 $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide and $1\frac{1}{4}$ " long. Marker #'s 02B-6 and D2B-6 is definitely
not a number used there. Their numbers have three numbers, a letter,
~~dash~~, and a number set off by a dash. She furnished as an example
one of their numbers, "910M-1. The letter "B" never appears in
one of their numbers.

but they use a number of ^{other} ~~various~~ colors
as well.

The following investigation was conducted by S.A. Carmelo Grappagnano on 4/5/68 re laundry tag number O2 B-6 or 2B-6:

Ruey Bennett, Manager Empire Rouse Cleaners, 1038 Adams Street Indianapolis, advised that # O2 B-6 or 2B-6 ^{or O2B-6} was not his marks and that his company uses two numerals followed by one letter then followed by three numerals in marking laundry. In no instance would he ever use the letter "B" in any combination of a laundry mark used by the Empire Rouse Cleaners.

On 4/11/68 Mr. RUFY BENNETT, General Manager, EMPIRE-ROUSE CLEANERS-LAUNDERERS, 1038 Adams Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama advised this company uses the model "Y", Thermo-Kal Laundry marking machines manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. He said they have two of these machines in operation.

He said their laundry markings consist of six numerals or letters. The first two ~~letters~~ numerals ^{on} the left of a marking designates the lot number, the letter designates the identity of the employee marking the laundry, the next numeral designates the week in a cycle of 9 weeks, and the last two numerals designates the bundle in a given week.

He said the letters "A" and "B" are never used for normal individual bundle of laundry. "A" and "B" are used

to mark found bundles, that is bundles consisting of laundry for a family where there is considerable amount of flat work such as sheets and towels. In this event all of the laundry from a particular family would be marked with either an A or B to identify the marker.

He advised the letters assigned to the markers for other than found bundles are changed every nine weeks and they use the letters beginning with C and continuing through P.

A photograph of the laundry mark in question was exhibited to Mr. Bennett and he said he felt reasonably sure that this was not a marking from one of their machines because they do not use the letter "B" unless as explained previously and because they do not substitute a dash for a reversal in their markings.

Mr. Bennett made available samples
of laundry markings from their two
machines and these have been furnished
to the FBI Laboratory for examination.

ELVIRA MABSON, 468 South HALL Street, Montgomery, Alabama advised on April 12, 1968, that she is employed by the Empire - Rouse Cleaners & Launderers 1038 Adams Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama, and has been employed by this firm for seven years. She stated the laundry marking for a particular bundle of laundry has been pre-determined before she receives it. She then sets the keys on the machine and proceeds to mark the laundry in a given bag. She said she never substitutes a number or a letter for a dash and never changes a number once it has been assigned to a bundle. She said she never uses a dash in preference to using a numeral or a letter.

^A The photograph of the laundry marking in question was exhibited to her and she stated she ~~was~~ would not have ~~made~~ made a marking of this