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UPON RECEIPT, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT ALL LAUNDRIES IN YOUR DIVISIONS TO IDENTIFY LAUNDRY USING THIS CODE AND THESE TAGS AND PURSUE LOGICAL LEADS DEVELOPED.

IF PERTINENT LAUNDRY IDENTIFIED, IMMEDIATELY ADVISE BUREAU TELEPHONICALLY.

THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY HANDLING TO INSURE THAT THESE CHECKS ARE IMMEDIATELY RUN OUT.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

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707 PM URGENT 4-8-68 GDM

TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS , ST. LOUIS AND NEW ORLEANS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN, CR. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELEPHONE CALL TO SL THIS DATE.

RE SUSPECT ERIC SERVO GALT

ON AUG. TWENTYNINE - THIRTY, LAST, GALT PURCHASED NINETEEN SIXTYSIX WHITE MUSTANG HARDTOP WITH RED INTERIOR FROM WILLIAM D. PAISLEY, BIRMINGHAM, FOR NINETEEN HUNDRED NINETYFIVE DOLLARS CASH. DURING CONVERSATION WITH PAISLEY, GALT CLAIMED HE HAD BANK ACCCOUNT AT BIRMINGHAM TRUST NATIONAL BANK AND HAD WORKED AS A "BARGER OUT OF ST. LOUIS", EXPLAINING HE WORKED ON RIVER BARGE BETWEEN ST. LOUIS AND NEW ORLEANS. GALT TOLD PAISLEY HIS DIVORCED WIFE PRESENTLY LIVED ON ROCKY RIDGE ROAD OR DOLLY RIDGE ROAD, BIRMINGHAM. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DIVORCED WIFE NEGATIVE.

BANKS RECORDS DISCLOSED GALT RENTED SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX AUG. TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, AND IN DECEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN ANSWERED PAYMENT DEMAND FOR BOX RENTAL BY SAYING HE WAS MOVING TO  
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*Callahan advised*  
*ASAC advised*  
*Andrew advised 157-1067352*  
*Callahan*

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LOUISIANA. LETTER CAME FROM BATON ROUGE. IN APPLYING FOR SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX, GALT LISTED NEAREST RELATIVE AS KARL GALT, TWO FIVE ONE FIVE LAFAYETTE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE ISSUED TO GALT SHOWS HE IS W/M, BORN [REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES AND BROWN HAIR.

ST. LOUIS IMMEDIATELY ATTEMPT TO FULLY IDENTIFY SUSPECT GALT THROUGH MARITIME UNION AND APPROPRIATE RECORD CHECKS AND THROUGH DISCREET INQUIRY RE NEAREST RELATIVE KARL GALT. ALSO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY DIVORCED WIFE AND OBTAIN ALL POSSIBLE BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROUGE, LA., IN ADDITION TO ATTEMPTS TO IDENTIFY GALT THROUGH MARITIME UNION CONDUCT APPROPRIATE RECORD CHECKS.

FOR INFORMATION ST. LOUIS AND NEW ORLEANS, ALL INVESTIGATION RE GALT DIRECTED TOWARDS OBTAINING PHOTOGRAPH AND HANDWRITING AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME. EXPEDITE.

LEADS FURNISHED TO ST. LOUIS BY RE TELEPHONE CALL.

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA FURMAN G. BOGGAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis teletype to New Orleans dated 4/9/68, which asked for check of Louisiana License 292028 supposedly on car occupied by HUBERT E. CONTENCT.

MARY CLAIRE BROWNING, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, advised the writer on 4/9/68, that the only Louisiana license number which has been issued to date going as high as 292028 would be one issued by Troop B, the number being ~~292B028~~. This license is issued to a 1965 blue four-door Falcon registered to JOHN A. GERHOLD, 1912 Center Street, Arabi, Louisiana, who is employed as an X-ray technician. BROWNING said Welsh, Louisiana is in territory covered by Troop D but the numbers issued by that troop have not gone this high.

MARGIE DUNCAN, Supervisor, Drivers' License Bureau, Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Baton Rouge, advised the writer on this date that she has no driver's license for the name of HUBERT C. ~~CONTENCT~~ or any name similar to this.

② - New Orleans

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Date: 4/9/68

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)

MURKIN.

RE NO TEL FOUR FIVE SIXTYEIGHT.

ANONYMOUS TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS OFFICE  
APRIL FOUR, SIXTYEIGHT:

ED TURNELY, SECURITY SUPERVISOR, SBT&T COMPANY, ADVISES  
THAT HE HAS COMPLETED A REVIEW OF THE DDD TAPES WHICH WERE  
RECORDED AT LAFAYETTE, LA., FROM TEN PM TO TEN TWENTYFIVE PM  
APRIL FOUR LAST, AND WHICH WOULD REFLECT ALL DDD TELEPHONE  
CALLS EMANITNGGFROM ALEXANDRIA, LA., ON THAT DATE. HOWEVER,  
NO RECORD WAS LOCATED OF A CALL FROM ALEXANDRIA TO FBI OFFICE,  
NEW ORLEANS.

MR. TURNELY ALSO ADVISED THAT A REVIEW OF THE PRINT-OUT  
OF ALL CALLS FROM ALEXANDRIA TO AREA CODE FIVE ZERO FOUR HAD  
BEEN CONDUCTED AND NO TELEPHONE CALL TO THE NEW ORLEANS FBI  
OFFICE HAD BEEN LOCATED.

① - New Orleans

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent MF-3-21  
WA-3-23 M

Per \_\_\_\_\_

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407PM URGENT 4-9-68 MCP

TO NEW ORLEANS

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1 P

*"Hubert E. Fontemot"*

MURKIN; CR. OO: ME.

RECORDS, MEMPHIS MOTELS, INDICATE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL REGISTERED ON DATE INDICATED AND LISTED FORD AUTOMOBILE REFLECTING INDICATED LICENSE NUMBER:

HUBERT E. CONTENCT, ROUTE ONE, BOX ONE ZERO SEVEN, WELSH, LA., LOUISIANA LICENSE TWO NINE TWO ZERO TWO EIGHT.

IF ABOVE CAR DETERMINED TO BE MUSTANG, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION. P. END.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, New Orleans (157-10677)      DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA J. WOODROW GILMORE

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF  
M. L. KING, JR.  
RM

On 4/5/68, Liaison Source, SIDNEY N. COLLIER, and on 4/4 and 4/5/68 NO 1099-R had no positive information when contacted in this matter, but are remaining alert to furnish immediately to this office any pertinent information received.

- 1- (157-10677)
- 1- (170-291) (NO 1099-R)
- 1- (170-292) (NO 1128-R)
- 1- (157-10320) (LIAISON SOURCE →  
S. N. COLLIER)

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Date: APRIL 7 1968

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) BIRMINGHAM, JACKSON  
FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TELCAL TODAY

SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH GALT LOCATED IN REVIEW OF  
NEW ORLEANS CITY AND SURBURBAN DIRECTORIES, TELEPHONE  
DIRECTORY, NEW ORLEANS CREDIT BUREAU, NEW ORLEANS POLICE  
DEPARTMENT, <sup>OK</sup>LOUISIANA STATE POLICE, LOUISIANA DRIVERS  
LICENSE BUREAU, AUTOMOBILE ~~XXXXXX~~ VEHICLE FILE OF LOUISIANA  
MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU, ALL OF BATON ROUGE, LA. INVESTIGATION  
CONTINUING.

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 8:37 P / 8:34 P / 8:46 P M Per [Signature]



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Date: 4/9/68

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
(Priority)

TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: NEW ORLEANS

MURKIN; CR. OO: ME.

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE FOUR NINE INSTANT.

LOUISIANA LICENSE TWO NINE TWO DASH ZERO TWO EIGHT  
WAS ISSUED TO FONTENOT MOTORS, BOX SIX TWO FIVE, WELSH,  
LOUISIANA FOR A NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR FORD PICK UP TRUCK.  
END.

By  
Per  
157-10673-56

Approved: R Special Agent in Charge Sent 11 42 P M Per CBW

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1151 PM URGENT 4-9-68 JLS

TO BUREAU (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740), MEMPHIS (44-1987), AND  
NEW ORLEANS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN; CR 00:ME

RE BH TEL CALL AND TEL TO BU AND SL 4-9-68 RE SUSPECT ERIC  
SERVO GALT AND RELATIVE KARL GALT, TWO FIVE ONE FIVE LAFAYETTE ST.  
SLMO.

THERE IS NO TWENTY-FOUR HUNDRED OR TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED BLOCK  
IN ST. LOUIS CITY OR ST. LOUIS COUNTY. CHECK OF SL CITY AND COUNTY  
DIRECTORIES CONTAINS NO LISTING FOR ERIC SERVO GALT OR KARL GALT.  
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY NEGATIVE. SL INDICIES AND RECORDS SLPD NEGATIVE  
FOR BOTH INDIVIDUALS. ALL LOGICAL PUBLIC SOURCE RECORDS BEING CHECKED  
INCLUDING LOCAL BARGE LINES AND INS. ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH SURNAME  
GALT IN ST. LOUIS WILL BE INTERVIEWED UNDER SUITABLE PRETEXT IN EFFORT  
TO IDENTIFY ERIC AND KARL GALT, UACB NMU OF A RECORDS BEING CHECKED.

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Date 4-10-68

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Subject John Willard

Aliases

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_ Sex  Male  Female

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TO: CHIEF CLERK  
 Subject 1966 Mustang MN 6707C190647  
 Aliases 1968 Ala. Lic 1-389930  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_ Sex  Male  Female

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Date 4-10-68

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Subject Karl Galt

Aliases

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_ Sex  Male  Female

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Date 4-10-68

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Subject Eric Starvo Galt

Aliases Eric Servo Galt

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Race W Sex  Male  Female

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

FROM : ASAC SYLVESTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/10/68

On the evening of 4/9/68, a call was received from the ASAC at Birmingham advising that Memphis, in checking motels and looking for a white Mustang, came up with the registration card for ERIC STARVO GALT; they also have his name spelled ERIC SERVO GALT.

Memphis advised Birmingham that this man registered at the Rebel Motel on 4/3/68, and checked out on 4/4/68. He apparently had a 1966 white Mustang, MN 6T07C190647, with 1968 Alabama license 1-38993.

Investigation by Birmingham re this particular case reflected that GALT had been in Birmingham in August and September, 1967. Their check reflected that GALT was a white male, DOB [redacted] 5' 11", 175 lbs., blue eyes, brown hair. In applying for his license, according to Birmingham, he indicated he had a previous Louisiana license. Allegedly he worked on a tugboat and/or barge between New Orleans, Mobile and St. Louis.

Birmingham investigation reflected this man is a real neat dresser, quiet spoken, would wear dark business suits, did drink merely from the smell of alcohol on his breath; nothing about female companions.

He rented a safety deposit box in the name of KARL GALT in St. Louis. Everything checked out re above names has been completely phony. The Bureau checked the Coast Guard, National Maritime Commission, Baltimore Source 4, and all Government agencies looking for employment.

A teletype came in from Birmingham on the night of 4/9/68 giving information that GALT indicated he was divorced; bank records where he rented a safety deposit box in December, 1967, and answered the bank demand by saying he was moving to Louisiana; the letter came from Baton Rouge, La.

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GALT claimed to have worked in shipyards in Pascagoula, which was checked out with negative results.

They do have handwriting at the bank for GALT. They are trying to get additional handwriting and photographs immediately. He fits description of the UNSUB. Birmingham has handwriting on the receipt of purchase of gun, which was purchased in name of HARVEY LOWMEYER, in Birmingham. (JOHN WILLARD was name used in registering at flop house in Memphis).

According to Birmingham, this man came in on 3/29/68, purchased a rifle, and returned on 3/30/68 saying words to effect "I talked this over with my brother and this won't do", and traded the Remington for a 30.06 and had a sight put on it which took three hours. He paid \$248 and paid in twenty dollar bills.

According to Birmingham, when checking into the Memphis motel (under name JOHN WILLARD) he paid with a twenty dollar bill.

Supv. INGRAM, Jackson, advised that the Laboratory advised there was one shell in the automatic; this matches ballistics. The gun was wrapped in a blanket. The Lab has checked out the blanket and bag. Laundry marks being checked out on shorts found in bag.

They have eight latents; off the gun and off the pair of binoculars which was purchased on 4/4/68.

In preparing inserts, they are to be prepared on the day of investigation. If 302s prepared, read them, SA ALDERSON will coordinate paper work. They should be broken down under suspect's name. Twentyfive copies of each are to be prepared, to be sent by airtel to Memphis. The airtel will contain the suggested synopsis for the report.

Variations for name LOWMEYER (which was used on receipt in signing for gun) are LOWMAYER, LOWMIER, LOWMEIR, LOGHMEYER, LOGHMYER, LOMYER, LOMAIER, and LOUGHMAYER.

The following leads were assigned on the morning of 4/10/68:

SA ALDERSON will prepare and assign leads on any resultant leads.



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SA BOGGAN & SA KING,	handle Unions (Seaman's International, etc.)
SA HILL	Veterans Administration
SA LATURNO	Selective Service
SA CAHILL	Library
SA HUGHES	State Unemployment Office
SA McLAUGHLIN	Voter registration records
SA McDANIELS	Banks in Orleans Parish
SA LOS	Banks in Jefferson Parish
SA COY	Divorce records, Orleans & Jeff.

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ROBERT J. WADE  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Mr. EDDIE GAUDET of the Sheraton-Charles Hotel telephonically advised that they had registered in the hotel a ROBERT J. WADE of 3333 Rhawn St., Philadelphia, Pa., that this man came into the hotel on 4/6/68 and advised he was with the UPI; that a check of UPI as of today reflects he is not connected with UPI. On 4/8/68 he made telephone call to Germany and a bag containing clothing is still at the hotel.

SA HEIBEL check this out, determine if description in any way fits that of GALT or any of the other persons whom we have discussed. Check where call was made to in Germany.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)      DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

As all Agents are aware, captioned matter involves the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., on 4/4/68 at Memphis, Tenn.

Investigation to date indicates that UNSUB purchased the weapon at Birmingham, Ala., on 3/29/68 and on 3/30/68 again returned to the store,

The pertinent periods of this investigation are 3/29-30/68 at Birmingham, Ala., and 4/4/68 at Memphis, Tenn.

The following is a composite description of UNSUB furnished by Memphis:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	26 - 40 years
Height	5'8" - 5'11"
Weight	150 - 170 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown or sandy, combed straight back
Eyes	Blue or green
Build	Medium
Complexion	Average, smooth
General Appearance	Neat

The Bureau has instructed that all leads are to be completed and teletyped to the Office of Origin and the Bureau on the same day and a FD-302 or, if appropriate, an insert prepared setting forth the results and forwarded with 25 copies to Memphis immediately following the transmission of the teletype.

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The cover airtel transmitting the results to Memphis should bear a subcaption under the name of the suspect or activity with a brief synopsis setting forth the investigation being forwarded by FD-302.

The Bureau has advised that in captioned matter all investigation is to be handled under the personal direction of the SAC and leads are to be afforded immediate attention. The SAC will be held personally responsible for any failure to promptly and thoroughly handle investigations in this matter.

If there are any questions, you should contact the #6 Desk immediately.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At approximately 9:30 AM this date, SA LEE MUNCEY of Little Rock, telephonically advised that he was calling in reference to the check of laundrys in regards to the laundry marking in this case.

MUNCEY stated that after initial contacts in Arkansas, one of the biggest suppliers of laundry supplies to Arkansas was Rudolph Ramelli Laundry Supply Company of New Orleans, and also the Pellerin Laundry Supply Company of New Orleans.

He stated that he would appreciate, when New Orleans checked with these two supply houses, that they also obtain a list of customers in Arkansas and furnish this information, either orally or by teletype to Little Rock.

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TO: CHIEF CLERK  
 Date: April 9, 1968  
 Subject: HARVEY LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, ~~LOWMYER~~  
 Aliases: ~~LOWMYER, LOWMIEIR, LOWMEIR, LOWMAYER, LOWMAIER~~  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Race:  W Sex:  Male  Female

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Date: April 9, 1968  
 TO: CHIEF CLERK  
 Subject: HARVEY LOUGHMEYER, ~~HE~~ LOUGHMYER,  
 Aliases: LOUGHMEYER  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

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# Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA REED W. JENSEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Captain S. A. JENNINGS, District Ship Operations and Government Aid Officer, US Maritime Administration, Room T-14028, 701 Loyola Avenue, advised that some coastwise towing companies are unionized and their employees would be hired through the inland boatman branch, SIU Hall, 630 Jackson Avenue, New Orleans, and the person to contact would be LINDSEY WILLIAMS.

Captain JENNINGS advised that in some cases where a tow involves the transportation of gasoline or explosive materials, some of the bargemen, such as tankermen and the like, are required to have seamen's papers through the US Coast Guard. Captain JENNINGS stated that the most logical places to check nationwide for an individual having Coast Guard seamen's papers of any type would be through contact of the United States Coast Guard Merchant Vessels Personnel Division, 1300 East Street Northwest, Washington, D. C.

Captain JENNINGS said that probably the majority of individuals working on tow barges on the Mississippi or coastwise are probably non-union. These individuals obtain a job by merely going to a barge towing company or a Captain of one of the barges giving his name, address, and two or three references as to previous employment. The company of the Captain will verify this employment and the individual would be hired.

Captain JENNINGS stated that the only towing barges or vessels that sign articles with the Maritime Commission are inter-coastal voyages in such as a trip from the east coast to the west coast of the United States or overseas.

Captain JENNINGS could think of no further names of checking out an individual employed on a Mississippi or coastwise barge operation. He provided the following names of major towing concerns:

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Ingram Towing;  
Mississippi Valley Barge Company;  
Federal Barge Company;  
National Carriers;  
Coyle and Company.

Captain JENNINGS also made available a 1967 Marine Directory which will contain a listing of all barge companies operating in the United States. This should be returned to Captain JENNINGS when no longer needed.

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

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype 4/9/68, (serial 51) which has to do with checking laundrys in regards to laundry tags.

This is to advise that approximately 10 AM this date, I talked with SA LEE QUICK of the Syracuse, New York RA.

SA QUICK stated that for the past two days, two Special Agents have been at the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, and obtaining a list of outlets in each state that uses this machine. This machine is a thermo seal marking machine.

He said that they had already completed 24 states and it was possible they would have Louisiana done this morning and that he would telephonically furnish the information when it was received.

As a matter of note, SA QUICK stated that it was possible that it would be found that laundrys using this machine may have sold the machine to another laundry in the state.

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1016AM URGENT 4-10-68 SAA  
TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN 00: MEMPHIS.

RE: SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

IMMEDIATELY CHECK YOUR INDICIES, ALL STATE SELECTIVE  
SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, CITY AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES,  
DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAUS, MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISIONS, FINANCIAL  
INSTITUTIONS, CONDUCT CREDIT AND CRIMINAL CHECK AND  
CONTACT OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION  
WHATSOEVER RE SUSPECT GALT. DRIVERS LICENSE ISSUED IN  
ALABAMA DESCRIBES GALT AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-  
FIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR.

THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY AND ALL LEADS MUST BE  
COVERED BY TELETYPE TO THOROUGHLY RESOLVE. NO INDICATION  
TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MURKIN CASE.  
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TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

This is to advise that approximately 11:30 AM, SA LEE QUICK, of the Syracuse, New York RA telephonically provided the following information:

The records of the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, revealed that there are only two of the thermo-seal marking machines in Louisiana.

These two machines were sold to Kohlers Snow White Laundry and Cleaners, 1861 North Doergenois Street, New Orleans, 19, La.

One machine bears the serial number R31913 and the second machine bears the serial number R31942. *not found at least 15 min*

Both machines are Model H-5 and are machines which produce a 1 and 1/8 inch tag.

SA QUICK stated that according to the Laboratory, the numbers on the laundry tags found in the laundry in this case were 15 and 18 point type.

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339 PM URGENT 4-10-68 JGA

TO DIRECTOR, NEW ORLEANS AND MEMPHIS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740 P

MURKIN. CR.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL TEN, INSTANT.

ERIC STARVO GALT REPORTEDLY MADE STATEMENT WHEN PURCHASING  
MUSTANG IN BIRMINGHAM, HE FORMERLY WORKED ON BARGE IN LOUISIANA.  
INVESTIGATION BIRMINGHAM REFLECTS BARGE CREWS EMPLOYED AND OPERATE  
OUT OF LOUISIANA. ROBERT SMITH, TERMINAL EMPLOYEE, TRIANGLE REFINERY,  
BIRMINGPORT, ALABAMA, ADVISED CROCHETT BARGE COMPANY, NEW ORLEANS,  
LOUISIANA, EMPLOYS AND HANDLES RECORDS OF BARGE PERSONNEL THAT COMPANY.

MRS. GLORIA RIGSBY, SECRETARY, VULCAN ASPHALT AND REFINERY  
COMPANY, CORDOVA, ALABAMA, ADVISED CAPT. E. D. PARRA, ROUTE TWO,  
BOX TWO NINE FIVE, GILLIANO, LOUISIANA, PHONE NUMBER AREA CODE  
FIVE ZERO FOUR (SIX THREE TWO - SEVEN FIVE SEVEN FIVE), HIRES ALL  
BARGE PERSONNEL THAT COMPANY, OPERATING INTO BIRMINGHAM AREA.

NEW ORLEANS, IF NOT ALREADY HANDLED, WILL IMMEDIATELY CONTACT  
CAPT. PARRA AND CROCHETT BARGE COMPANY, NEW ORLEANS, AND ASCERTAIN  
IF GALT WAS FORMER EMPLOYEE.

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TO : SAC (157-10673)

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : ASAC

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: ERIC STARVO GALT

At 3:27 p.m., 4/10/68, SAC WILLIAM ALEXANDER of Mobile telephonically advised that accheck of the Auto Motor Vehicle files in Montgomery, Ala. had a notatin that GALT claimed he held a driver's license in Louisiana in 1962 which had expired.

ALEXANDER said that ERIC STARVO GALT had obtained a driver's license in September, 1967 and a duplicate driver's license on 3/1/68 in Alabama; that he had purchased the Mustang on 8/30/67.

LEAD:

AT BATON ROUGE, LA.

Check to determine what records are available concerning driver's license in 1962.

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3-21 PM URGENT 4-10-68 VCG  
TO NEW ORLEANS AND MEMPHIS  
FROM JACKSON (157-9586) 3 P  
MURKIN, CR.

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO JACKSON, INSTANT.

REFERENCED TELETYPE REFLECTS ROBERT SEWELL, MHSP, ADVISED  
MEMPHIS, TENN., PD HE WAS IN BATESVILLE, MISS., APPROXIMATELY  
TEN THIRTY A.M., APRIL FIVE LAST. HE WAS APPROACHED BY A  
WHITE MALE APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FIVE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET,  
NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY POUNDS, BLACK OR DARK  
HAIR COMBED STRAIGHT BACK, DRIVING NINETEEN SIXTY SIX

CHEVROLET WITH MISS. TAG NUMBER H FOUR FIVE DASH NINE EIGHT  
EIGHT. VEHICLE REGISTERED TO BINNY D. MCCRIFF, ONE THREE  
EDDRTTWOVEHAGLETTBONSTRER, TOABKSDN.D.HOCABRIBED ONESTHREE  
FOUR TWO PLANTATION STREET, JACKSON. HE ADVISED THIS  
INDIVIDUAL WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A BUSHY HEADED, ROUGH LOOKING,  
WHITE MALE, NAME AND FURTHER DESCRIPTION UNKNOWN.

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SEWELL STATED THIS MAN MENTIONED HE AND HIS COMPANION HAD BEEN DRINKING BEER AT A LOUNGE ON SOUTH MAIN STREET, MEMPHIS, THE NIGHT OF THE SLAYING. SEWELL THOUGHT PERHAPS THIS MAN MIGHT BE CONSIDERED A POSSIBLE SUSPECT, OR MIGHT BE A WITNESS THAT COULD FURNISH SOME INFORMATION HELPFUL TO THE INVESTIGATION.

INVESTIGATION JACKSON REFLECTS MC GRIFF IS AN ELECTRICIAN, CURRENTLY WORKING ON AN UNKNOWN JOB IN BATON ROUGE, LA. HIS WIFE STATES SHE BELIEVES MC GRIFF IS STAYING IN TRAVEL LODGE MOTEL, BATON ROUGE.

SECRETARY, I.B.E.W., LOCAL SIX ZERO FIVE, ADVISED MC GRIFF IS WORKING ON UNKNOWN JOB IN BATON ROUGE AND DOES NOT KNOW WHERE HE STAYS AT NIGHT. SHE ADVISED THE LOCATION WHERE MC GRIFF IS WORKING COULD BE OBTAINED THROUGH L.A. THOMPSON, I.B.E.W., LOCAL NINE NINE FIVE, FOUR ZERO FIVE ST. FERDINAND STREET, BATON ROUGE, LA.

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NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROUGE, WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW  
BILLY D. MC GRIFF TO DETERMINE IF HE COULD BE LOGICAL  
SUSPECT, OR IF HE HAS INFORMATION HELPFUL TO THIS  
INVESTIGATION. HE SHOULD BE ELIMINATED  
AS SUSPECT AND ACCOUNT FOR HIS TIME ON THREE TWENTYNINE DASH  
THIRTY, DATES GUNS PURCHASED BIRMINGHAM AND FOUR FOUR LAST.

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CHEVROLET WITH MISS. TAG NUMBER H FOUR FIVE DASH NINE EIGHT  
EIGHT. VEHICLE REGISTERED TO BILLY D. MC GRIFF, ONE THREE  
NEXT

IFOUR TWO PLANTATION STREET, JACKSON. HE ADVISED THIS

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4:27PM URGENT 4/10/68 WLT  
TO NEW ORLEANS

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586

MURKIN

REMYCALL THIS DATE RE SUSPECT EUGENE SMITH  
MANSFIELD, AKA SUNSET.

MANSFIELD, A WHITE MALE, FBI NUMBER THREE ZERO  
TWO FOUR FIVE FIVE B, FIVE FEET NINE, WEIGHT ONE SEVENTY,  
BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, IS A NATIVE OF TUSCALOOSA, ALA.,  
AND ALLEGEDLY MEMBER OF UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA.  
BIRMINGHAM ADVISED SUSPECT DISCHARGED FROM RELIANCE STEEL  
COMPANY, COTTONDALE, ALA., MARCH TWELVE LAST.

HE REQUESTED

RELIANCE TO FORWARD HIS CHECK TO HIM IN CARE OF L. E.  
MATTHEWS, ROUTE THREE, BOX THREE EIGHT ONE M, FLORENCE,  
MISS. MATTHEWS ADVISED JN THREE SIX FOUR - R (PROB)  
THAT MANSFIELD WAS A FUGITIVE FOR SHOOTING A NEGRO AND  
WAS BEING HID OUT BY HIM AT HIS FISH CAMP AT BYRAM,  
MISS. RI LAST SAW MANSFIELD MORNING OF MARCH TWENTY  
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NINE LAST, BUT REPORTS THAT L. E. MATTHEWS RECEIVED LONG DISTANCE CALL FROM SUSPECT MORNING OF APRIL TENTH INSTANT FROM BARAS, LA., AND THAT THEY ARGUED OVER THE PRICE OF A "HIT", MANSFIELD HOLDING OUT FOR THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS. MATTHEWS AGREED TO ONLY PAY TWO HUNDRED, LOCATION OF "HIT" NOT LEARNED BY INFORMANT. MATTHEWS TOLD INFORMANT THAT MANSFIELD HAD DONE ONE JOB FOR HIM AND WAS TO DO ANOTHER.

LAUDE E. MATTHEWS, JR. IS AN ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR AT FLORENCE, SUBURB JACKSON, MISS., AND IS HEIR APPARENT TO LEADERSHIP OF WHITE KNIGHTS OF KKK, WHEN SAM BOWERS INCARCERATED. MATTHEWS, PRESENTLY PROVINCENCE GIANT OF WKKKOM, IS BEING ARRESTED THIS DATE BY HINDS COUNTY AUTHORITIES FOR ACCESSORY IN THE BOMBING OF BLACKWELL REALTY COMPANY AT JACKSON IN NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN.

NEW ORLEANS AT BARAS, LA. LOCATE MANSFIELD AND INTERVIEW. ACCOUNT FOR WHEREABOUTS OF MANSFIELD AND MARCH TWENTY NINE - THIRTY, LAST, DATE GUNS PURCHASED  
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IN BIRMINGHAM, AND APRIL FOUR, LAST. OBTAIN CURRENT  
PHOTOGRAPH FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES AND OBTAIN ANY  
INFO SUSPECT WILL FURNISH REGARDING L. E. MATTHEWS.

AIRMAIL TO BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS.

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CORRECTION LTHIRD PARAGRAPH PAGE TWO LINE TWO LAST WORD AND  
SHOULD BE OMITTED.

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IS THAT ALL YES

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, JACKSONVILLE, ATLANTA, MOBILE,  
LITTLE ROCK, JACKSON, NEW ORLEANS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740

MURKIN

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ERIC STARVO GALT IS SUSPECT THIS CASE AND PREVIOUSLY RESIDED AT  
TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, ALA. HE IS  
DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] FIVE FEET  
ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR.  
IN BIRMINGHAM HE PURCHASED SIXTYSIX WHITE MUSTANG, VIN SIX T ZERO  
SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX FOUR SEVEN, WHICH WAS LAST KNOWN TO BEAR  
SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE ONE DASH THREE EIGHT NINE NINE THREE.

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ALL OFFICES CHECK DMV RE POSSIBLE REREGISTRATION OF THIS CAR  
AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673) (P)

FROM : SA ROBERT LOUIS WERTMAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/10/68

On this date JAMES SCHMIDT, JR., Auditor, New Orleans Bank and Trust Company, telephonically advised that he received information from his brother-in-law, ALEXANDER P. McLACHLAN, Director of one of the branches of the Department of Agriculture in New Orleans, who advised that on Monday he noticed a white Mustang bearing 182B551 Louisiana license, parked in the vicinity of 1441 Canal Street, New Orleans. He called Mr. SCHMIDT to determine what he should do about it inasmuch as he had heard they were looking for a white Mustang used as a getaway car in the murder case in Memphis, Tenn. Mr. SCHMIDT stated he advised McLACHLAN to call the police department and report the car, which he did and the police subsequently placed a parking ticket on the vehicle. Mr. SCHMIDT believed this car was reported stolen by its owner, name unknown, who resides in the French Quarter area.

Mr. SCHMIDT said he was furnishing this information for whatever good it may be.

*Owner: Charles McCaulley  
516 Conti St*

*1966 Ford Mustang  
Above vehicle: AN 6F07T 378986,  
reported stolen 4-6-68 from 1500 block of  
Canal, recovered 4-8-68 from 1400  
block of Canal. No signs of forced  
entry or movement. PD believes  
owner just forgot where he left  
it. JMW*

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*Mustang located  
Atlanta  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (157- )

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : JOSEPH L. COLEMAN  
Complaint Clerk

SUBJECT: MURKIN

*for F. L. BARNES  
157-11237-60  
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At 12:30 p.m., 4/10/68, Father BARNES, 1231 Caffin St., Lower 9th Ward, New Orleans, La., Tel. # 947-2853, telephonically advised that at approximately 7:10 p.m., he was raising the windows of his church at that address when he noticed an unknown white male walking near Bud's Flower Shop, located at the Corner of LaManche and St. Claude streets. The white male stopped abruptly when he saw Father BARNES, and he hastily went to the back of Bud's Flower Shop. Father BARNES does not know if he went into Bud's Flower Shop or if he just went behind the store. Father BARNES said the man was carrying a light colored AWOL bag and that he man had a prominent nose (described by Father BARNES as a DANNY THOMAS nose); 5'10" to 5'11" tall; 180 to 190 lbs.; Father BARNES thinks he had dark hair; and Father BARNES thinks he was wearing a suit coat or jacket. Father BARNES has not seen the man any more.

Father BARNES related that it is well known in the Lower 9th Ward that Bud's Flower Shop for the past few years has been a "hot bed" for white citizens' council meetings. He said he does not know the full or last name of the person who owns or operates Bud's Flower Shop.

Father BARNES stated he was furnishing the foregoing to the FBI because he feels it could possibly have something to do with the murder of KING. He said the reason he thinks it might possibly have some connection is because the man stopped very quick when he saw him and hurriedly departed behind Bud's Flower Shop.

Father BARNES was thanked for the information and that he would be contacted if the FBI needs to talk with him further concerning this matter. He said he would report any additional information he receives that he thinks may be connected with the KING murder case.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
(ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New Orleans teletype to Bureau, Albany and Memphis, 4/18/68.

Attached are two pieces of cloth bearing sample cloth laundry tags taken from a Thermo Seal Marking Machine, Model HSHL, Serial No. H1193, which was manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, N.Y., and sold to Kohlers Snow White Laundry and Cleaners, 1861 N. Bourgoinis St., New Orleans, LA.

The enclosed samples bear the laundry codes "Q2B-6" and "Q2B-6". Officials at Kohlers Snow White Laundry and Cleaners advised that they have no record that they have used these laundry codes.

The FBI Lab is requested to compare samples with cloth laundry tags contained in clothing recovered at scene of shooting and advise interested offices.

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- 2 - Albany
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- ① - New Orleans
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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)  
ALBANY  
MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN.

RE BUTEL TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES, APRIL NINE LAST,  
INSTRUCTING THAT INVESTIGATION BE CONDUCTED TO IDENTIFY  
CLOTH LAUNDRY TAGS <sup>IN</sup> ~~AND~~ CLOTHING RECOVERED AT SCENE OF SHOOTING.

NEW ORLEANS DETERMINED FROM ALBANY OFFICE THIS DATE BY  
TELEPHONE, THAT TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO., SYRACUSE, N.Y.,  
RECORDS DISCLOSED TWO THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINES, MODEL  
H - FIVE, WERE SOLD TO KOHLERS SNOW WHITE LAUNDRY AND  
CLEANERS, EIGHTEEN SIXTYONE N. DOERGENOIS ST., NEW ORLEANS.

INVESTIGATION AT THIS BUSINESS DISCLOSED THAT MACHINE  
BEARING SERIAL NUMBER R THREE ONE NINE FOUR TWO HAS BEEN  
~~KNOWN~~ <sup>NON-</sup> OPERATIVE FOR PAST TWO YEARS. MACHINE BEARING SERIAL  
NO. R THREE ONE NINE ONE THREE PRESENTLY IN OPERATION; HOWEVER,  
LAUNDRY OFFICIALS STATES MARKING "~~ZERO~~ <sup>O</sup> TWO B - SIX" AND  
"D TWO B - SIX" NEVER BEEN USED BY THEIR COMPANY. BY SEPARATE

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

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COMMUNICATION, THE LAB IS BEING FURNISHED SAMPLES <sup>FROM</sup> ~~THE~~ MACHINE BEARING SERIAL NO. R THREE ONE NINE ONE THREE, MODEL NO. H FIVE K ONE, USING THE ABOVE TWO MARKINGS, FOR EXAMINATION PURPOSES. IT WAS NOTED THAT KOHLERS SNOW WHITE LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS ALSO OPERATES THREE OTHER THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINES, ALL OF WHICH ARE MODEL NO. H SIX U FOUR C ONE. THE LENGTH OF MARKING TAG ON THE SNOW WHITE MODEL H SIX ~~LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS~~ <sup>MARKING Machine</sup> IS NOTICEABLY LONGER THAN THE MARKING TAG PRODUCED BY THE ONE OPERATING MODEL H FIVE MACHINE IN POSSESSION OF THIS COMPANY. *if not already in progress*

NEW ORLEANS SUGGESTS THAT ALBANY, THROUGH TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO., SYRACUSE, IMMEDIATELY DETERMINE IDENTITY OF ALL OTHER LAUNDRY COMPANIES IN THE U.S. USING MODEL H FIVE K ONE MACHINES SO SAMPLES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THESE MACHINES AND INVESTIGATION CAN BE CONDUCTED AT THESE LAUNDRYES COMPANIES TO DETERMINE IF THEY USE LAUNDRY CODES "~~ZERO~~ TWO B - SIX" OR "D TWO B - SIX".

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI BIRMGHAM

703PM URGENT 4-10-68 HEP

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS (44-1987), MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS..

FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 2P

MURKIN. CR. OO MEMPHIS.

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RE BALTIMORE TEL DATED JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, CAPTIONED "UNSUB; ALLEGED THREAT ON LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, SELMA, ALABAMA, RACIAL MATTERS, OO MOBILE", AND NEW ORLEANS TEL DATED JANUARY ONE NINE, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE CAPTIONED, "REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA, VOTER DISCRIMINATION, CR - EL", NEW ORLEANS FILE ONE FIVE SEVEN - THREE THREE FOUR FIVE, MOBILE FILE FOUR FOUR - FIVE FIVD SEVEN.

RE BALTIMORE TEL REFLECTS NATIONAL CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WHITLEY HOTEL, MONTGOMERY, ALA., JANUARY FOURTEEN - SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. RETEL REFLECTS ON JANUARY SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, JOSEPH MITCHELL, WHILE ALONE WITH ONE NORMAN KILPATRICK, ADVISED KILPATRICK THAT HE (MITCHELL) HAD BEEN TOLD THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING WOULD NOT LIVE THIRTY SIX HOURS. RETEL REFLECTS THAT MITCHELL AND KILPATRICK WERE DELEGATES TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING, AS WAS A DELEGATE FROM SELMA, ALABAMA.

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NAME NOT RECALLED.

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL REFLECTS JAMES CARL PAFFORD, BOX ONE NINE FIVE, CULLEN, LOUISIANA, WHO REPORTEDLY ATTENDED ABOVE CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING AND MADE STATEMENT "HE SHOULD STOP AT SELMA TO SEE WHAT HE COULD DO" ABOUT "MARTIN LUTHER KING". RETEL REFLECTS PAFFORD INTERVIEWED AT SPRING HILL, LOUISIANA, ON JANUARY ONE EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE. RETEL STATES PAFFORD REFUSED TO FURNISH INFORMATION ABOUT ABOVE MEETING EXCEPT TO STATE HE HEARD NOTHING ABOUT THREATS OF VIOLENCE TO KING.

NEW ORLEANS AT CULLEN, LOUISIANA, DETERMINE PAFFORD'S WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD OF APRIL FOUR LAST.

MOBILE AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, WILL CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION AT WHITLEY HOTEL IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF DELEGATE FROM SELMA, ALABAMA, TO ABOVE NATIONAL CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING, JANUARY, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE, WHO MAY HAVE REGISTERED AS GUEST AT HOTEL. IF IDENTITY ASCERTAINED, DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD APRIL FOUR LAST.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44 -38861) MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

MURKIN

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL APRIL NINE LAST

RE: SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT

NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH GALT LOCATED INDICIES OF NEW ORLEANS OFFICE OR BUREAU VITAL STATISTIC FOR LOUISIANA, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, BANKING INSTITUTIONS, STATE HDQRTS FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE, LOUISIANA EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, VARIOUS SEAMANS UNIONS, COURT AND LIBRARY RECORDS ALL OF NEWORLEANS, ABOVE RECORDS ALSO CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH VARIATIONS IN SPELLING OF SURNAME.

*TO DATE* REVIEW OF CITY DIRECTORIES, TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES, VOTER ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ REGISTRATION RECORDS, <sup>RECORDS OF</sup> CREDIT BUREAU'S, POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND SHERIFF'S OFFICES, COURT RECORDS, UTILITY COMPANIES IN AREAS COVERED BY RESIDENT AGENCIES IN LA CONDUCTED HOWEVER NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH GALT LOCATED. THESE CHECKS ALSO INCLUDED VARIATIONS IN SPELLING OF SURNAME.

RE HERBERT LOWMEYER

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WITH LOWMEYER OR VARIATIONS IN SPELLING OF SURNAME LOCATED.  
INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)

MURKIN.

*April 9, INSTANT 11:42 pm.*

RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE ~~THIS DATE~~. LUBERT (NOT HUBERT)

FONTENOT WAS CONTACTED AT WELSH, LA., THIS DATE. FONTENOT ADVISED HE WAS IN MEMPHIS ON TUES., APRIL TWO LAST AND LEFT MEMPHIS FOR WELSH, ON WED. APRIL THREE, LAST. HE ARRIVED IN WELSH APRIL FOUR, LAST, BEFORE DEATH OF KING. FONTENOT WAS DRIVING SIXTYFOUR FORD TRUCK, TWENTYSEVEN FT. LONG WITH TILT CAB, BEARING LA. LICENSE TWO NINE TWO ZERO TWO EIGHT. *FONTENT IS REPUTABLE BUSINESSMAN AND IS OWNER LOCAL FORD AGENCY.*

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1024PM IMMEDIATE 4-10-68 HEP  
TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P

MURKIN

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ERIC STARVO GALT, TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE SOUTH,  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, REGISTERED OWNER OF WHITE NINETEEN SIXTYSIX  
MUSTANG, VIN SIX T ZERO SEVEN C ONE NINE ZERO SIX FOUR SEVEN,  
BEARING NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE ONE - THREE EIGHT NINE  
NINE THREE, IS PRIME SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

ALL OFFICES CHECK ABOVE VIN FOR POSSIBLE RE-REGISTRATION.

NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH MURKIN CASE.

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LOUISVILLE, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS, KNOXVILLE, SAVANNAH, AND ST.  
LOUIS

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 6P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS.

*STARVO GALT*

SUSPECT ERIC ~~S. HALT~~, WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE  
POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, REPORTEDLY A BARGE OR RIVER  
BOAT MAN, HAD RESIDED TWO SIX ZERO EIGHT HIGHLAND AVENUE,  
BIRMINGHA, LAST FALL. SUSPECT STAYED REBEL MOTEL, HIGHWAY  
SEVENTY-ONE, MEMPHIS, ARRIVING SEVEN FIFTEEN PM, APRIL  
THREE, LAST, DEPARTED APPROXIMATELY NOON, APRIL FOUR, LAST,  
VIVING WHITE MUSTANG, NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT ALABAMA LICENSE  
ONE - THREE EIGHT NINE NINE THREE. OTHERS REGISTERED AT  
MOTEL IN ADJACENT ROOM WERE ANDY GAST, ROUTE SIX, FREMONT,  
OHIO; WILLIAM HESTER, ONE ZERO NINE FOREST AVENUE, TROY,  
ALABAMA. FOLLOWING SUSPECT'S DEPARTURE ROOM THIRTY-FOUR  
L. N. PAGE, ONE TWO EIGHT TWO ABBE ROAD, SHEFFIELD, OHIO,  
OCCUPIED SAME, ROOM THIRTY-FOUR, EIGHT THIRTY PM FOR APRIL  
FOUR, LAST.

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SUSPECT CLAIMED EMPLOYMENT INGALLS SHIPYARD, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, BUT RECORDS REFLECT ONLY INEZ COWART GALT, WHITE FEMALE, AGE TWENTY-FIVE - THIRTY, EMPLOYED AUGUST TWENTY-ONE - SEPTEMBER SEVEN, NINETEEN FORTY-FOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

SUSPECT DEPARTED HIGHLAND ADDRESS ABOUT DECEMBER 1, LAST, FOR NEW JOB ON BARGE OR TWOBOAT AT MOBILE. WHILE RESIDING BOARDING HOUSE LAST FALL RECEIVED PACKAGE FROM CHICAGO RETURNED BY HIM TO THE MAIL ORDER HOUSE UNOPENED. SUSPECT REPORTEDLY OBTAINED DUPLICATE ALABAMA DRIVER'S LICENSE MARCH ONE, LAST, CLAIMING LOUISIANA DRIVER'S LICENSE EXPIRED NINETEEN SIXTY-TWO. USCG HEADQUARTERS HAS NO PORT SECURITY CARD OR MERCHANT MARINE Z CARD ON GALT. UNSUB ABANDONED CERTAIN TRADE ARTICLES AFTER SHOOTING OF KING ON APRIL FOUR, LAST. ONE ARTICLE IS A BAR OF CASHMERE BOUQUET SOAP, A WRAPPER OF FRIENDSHIP INNS, NAME OF MOTEL OR TOWN NOT LISTED.

ATLANTA CONTACT EARL FUOSS, REGIONAL INSPECTOR, SE  
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