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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

FROM : ASAC JOSEPH T. SYLVESTER, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/1/68

Investigation at Los Angeles, Calif., has established that JAMES EARL RAY departed Los Angeles on 3/17 or 18/68, presumably alone and via his 1966 white Mustang car bearing Alabama license 1-38993.

Investigation at New Orleans has established that an individual possibly identical with RAY was in New Orleans on the evening of 3/21/68. The exact date of his arrival and departure from New Orleans has not been established.

Investigation at Atlanta, Ga., has established that RAY rented a room in a rooming house in Atlanta on 3/24/68. Investigation has not established the date of RAY's arrival in Atlanta.

It is essential that the details of RAY's movements during the period 3/17-24/68 be determined.

Investigation has established that RAY stayed at the Provincial Motel, 1024 Chartres Street, New Orleans, during the period 12/17-19/67. He registered at this time as ERIC S. GALT.

It is logical to presume that RAY, upon his return to New Orleans in March, 1968, again stayed somewhere in the French Quarter or in the fringe area of downtown New Orleans. It is also noted that during March, 1968, RAY continued to use the alias ERIC S. GALT.

Set forth below is a list of all motels and hotels located on Tulane Avenue.

You are requested to contact the motels and/or hotels assigned to you and physically examine the register for



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registrations in the name of JAMES EARL RAY, ERIC S. GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER and JOHN WILLARD, during the period 3/17-24/68. You are reminded that in connection with this investigation you are not to mention the specific case you are conducting in inquiries about unless and until you develop positive information. In this connection, you are not to exhibit photographs of RAY to individuals in the coverage of these leads unless positive information is developed and the displaying of these photographs is, of course, considered appropriate.

If a registration of interest is detected you should, of course, conduct immediate logical investigation at the establishment, including the obtaining of lists of local and long distance calls charged to the room occupied by RAY.

You are reminded that all leads in this case are to be handled within 24 hours upon receipt.

HOTELS AND MOTELS, Tulane Avenue

Best Western & Eastern Patio Motel
2820 Tulane Avenue

McLaughlin

Bonaparte Motor Hotel
3900 Tulane Avenue

Coy

Capri Motel
2424 Tulane Avenue

McLaughlin

Cabib Motel
4025 Tulane Avenue

Coy

Conchetta Motel
2620 Tulane Avenue

McLaughlin

Crescent Motel
3522 Tulane Avenue

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The DeVille
3800 Tulane Avenue

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Fontainebleau Motor Hotel
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Le Petit Motel
2836 Tulane Avenue

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Patio Motel
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Plaza Motel
3610 Tulane Avenue

- Q. Y.

Thunderbird Motel
1910 Tulane Avenue

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Ramada Inn
2222 Tulane Avenue

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Tamanaca Downtown Motel
1725 Tulane Avenue

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Hotel Schofield
3005 Tulane Avenue

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Via TELETYPE URGENT
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TO DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND SAC'S KANSAS CITY (44-760),
MEMPHIS, TAMPA, COLUMBIA AND PHILADELPHIA
FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

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RE KANSAS CITY AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR APRIL TWENTYSEVEN,
SIXTYSEVEN RE CARLOS LEE BILLINGS.

FOR INFORMATION OF COLUMBIA, WHO DOES NOT HAVE BELOW NOTED
REPORT, REVIEW OF NEW ORLEANS FILE ON BILLINGS REFLECTS INFORMATION
FROM LITTLE ROCK REPORT OF SA WALTER W. SMART, JR., DATED
FEBRUARY ELEVEN, SIXTYSEVEN, CONCERNING THREE ZERO TWO FURNISHED
BY BILLINGS ON THAT DATE IN WHICH BILLINGS STATED WAS IN CUSTODY
AT CHESTER, PA., IN APRIL, SIXTYFIVE AND ESCAPED FROM CUSTODY
WITH TWO OTHER INDIVIDUALS, NAMES NOT MENTIONED, APPROXIMATELY
MAY SEVEN, SIXTYFIVE. FURTHER, HE PROCEEDED TO WILMINGTON, DEL.,
WHERE ONE OF ESCAPEES APPREHENDED. FROM THERE HE AND OTHER
ESCAPEE WENT TO OCALA, FLA. FROM INFORMATION FURNISHED IN THIS
THREE ZERO TWO IT WOULD APPEAR BILLINGS NOT ONLY IS PRODIGIOUS
CAR THIEF AND CHECK PASSER, BUT A CON MAN AS WELL.

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IT IS ESPECIALLY NOTED THAT BILLINGS STATES IN THREE ZERO TWO IN RE COMMUNICATION THAT HE MET JAMES AND EDDIE IN COLUMBIA, S. C., IN MARCH, SIXTYFIVE. IN THREE ZERO TWO SET OUT IN REPORT OF SA SMART, HE ADVISED WAS IN CUSTODY IN APRIL, SIXTYFIVE AND DID NOT ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY UNTIL APPROXIMATELY MAY SEVEN, SIXTYFIVE.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE WILL REVIEW FILE ON BILLINGS AND ASCERTAIN WHEN ESCAPED FROM CUSTODY, FORWARD SAME TO KANSAS CITY FOR REINTERVIEW OF BILLINGS AT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

NEW ORLEANS HOLDING IN ABEYANCE COVERAGE OF LEAD AT CANAL BANK INN UNTIL AUTHENTICITY OF BILLINGS' STORY DETERMINED.

KANSAS CITY ADVISE OTHER OFFICES IN RECEIPT OF REAIRTEL WHETHER THEY DESIRE LEADS SET OUT TO BE HANDLED AT THIS TIME OR HELD IN ABEYANCE.

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SAC, Los Angeles

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SAC, New Orleans (157-10673)(P)

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RE CHARLES STEIN
New Orleans Police Reports

Re New Orleans teletype to the Director and Los Angeles 5/1/68.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are four Xerox copies of New Orleans Police Department reports re arrests of CHARLES STEIN.

On 4/30/68 Mrs. BARBARA COLLINS, Clerk, Records Room, New Orleans Police Department, provided copies of New Orleans PD Items numbered J-10199-55, G-6524-61, D-5829-62 and B-8555-63.

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848 PM URGENT 5-1-68 CBB
TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), JACKSONVILLE, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS
FROM DALLAS (44-2649)

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RE SUBJECT'S CALLS MADE FROM COINT TELEPHONE EN ROUTE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW ORLEANS. RE DALLAS TEL APRIL THIRTY LAST.

FOR INFO OF OFFICES NOT RECEIVING RE TEL, ON THE ABOVE TRIP SUBJECT RAY ALLEGEDLY MADE SEVERAL TELEPHONE CALLS FROM COIN TELEPHONES WHILE IN TEXAS. A CHECK OF TOLL CALLS MADE FROM COIN TELEPHONES ALONG ROUTE TAKEN BY RAY FOR DECEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN, AND SEVENTEEN, OF SIXTYSEVEN, ARE BEING MADE AND THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO DATE. EACH OFFICE SHOULD ESTABLISH THE IDENTITY OF SUBSCRIBERS TO TELEPHONE NUMBERS LISTED AND ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY BY WHOM THE INSTANT TELEPHONE CALL WAS RECEIVED FROM. IF RAY MADE CALL, OBTAIN ALL AVAILABLE INFO CONCERNING HIM.

JACKSONVILLE.

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*read Caddis
to money
in Memphis*

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CALL MADE ON COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS
DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST, FOUR SEVENTEEN PM, SEVEN FIVE TWO SIX
FOUR SIX ZERO, LAKE CITY, FLORIDA;
MOBILE.

CALL MADE ON COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS
DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST, TWO TWENTYSEVEN AM, NINE SIX TWO
FOUR SEVEN SIX ONE, LILLIAN, ALABAMA;
NEW ORLEANS

CALL MADE ON COIN TELEPHONE LOCATED AT ALPINE, TEXAS
DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST, TWELVE FORTYTHREE AM, NINE THREE EIGHT
FIVE SIX THREE EIGHT, GREENWOOD, LOUISIANA.

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TO: DIRECTOR , LOS ANGELES
FROM: NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

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RE JAMES EARL RAY - WANDA'S SEVEN SEAS RESTAURANT, NEW ORLEANS, DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN.

A REVIEW OF NEW ORLEANS CITY DIRECTORY AND OTHER AVAILABLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION CONTAINED NO LISTING FOR WANDA'S SEVEN SEAS RESTAURANT IN NEW ORLEANS. LISTED WAS WANDA'S SEVEN SEAS BAR, SIX ZERO EIGHT IBERVILLE STREET, NEW ORLEANS. CONTACT WITH THIS BAR OWNER AND OTHER EMPLOYEES NEGATIVE RE ANY ARRESTS AT THIS BAR DURING DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN INVOLVING ALLEGED ARGUMENT OVER A DOG BROUGHT TO BAR BY A CUSTOMER. ALL AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT DISPLAYED BUT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. CONTACT WITH OTHER BAR OWNERS IN SIX HUNDRED BLOCK OF IBERVILLE AND WITH OTHER PERSONS KNOWN TO FREQUENT THESE BARS, INCLUDING WANDA'S SEVEN SEAS BAR, WAS NEGATIVE RE AFOREMENTIONED INCIDENT AND ALSO REGARDING SUBJECT.

REVIEW OF NEW ORLEANS PD MASTER LIST OF ALL COMPLAINTS RECEIVED AND ARRESTS MADE DURING DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN, WHICH NUMBERED NEAR FIVE THOUSAND, SHOWED ON DECEMBER SEVENTEEN,

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SIXTYSEVEN, UNDER NEW ORLEANS PD ITEM NUMBER L ONE TWO FIVE FIVE FOUR - SIX SEVEN, THAT FOUR PERSONS WERE ARRESTED AT NINE FIFTYTHREE P.M., FOR FIGHTING AT SIX ZERO EIGHT IBERVILLE STREET. SUBSEQUENT INQUIRY DETERMINED THIS ARREST OCCURRED IN FRONT OF WANDA'S SEVEN SEAS BAR AND INVOLVED FIGHT BETWEEN A NEGRO MALE AND THREE WHITE MALES, ALL OF WHOM WERE ARRESTED FOR FIGHTING. THESE PERSONS WERE ALL RELEASED SAME DATE AFTER POSTING SMALL BOND AND NONE WERE PRINTED OR PHOTOGRAPHED. ARRESTING OFFICERS CONTACTED, RECALLED ARRESTS AND STATE ARRESTS WERE THE RESULT OF FIGHT BETWEEN YOUNG NEGRO MALE, NINETEEN, AND WHITE MALE, TWENTYSIX, AND TWO OTHER WHITE MALES WERE ALSO ARRESTED FOR INTERFERING. THESE OFFICERS VIEWED ALL AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUBJECT AND STATE POSITIVE NONE IDENTICAL OR EVEN LOOK LIKE SUBJECT.

CONTACT MADE WITH VARIOUS NEW ORLEANS PD DETECTIVES AND UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICERS WHO WORK IN AREA WHERE SEVEN SEAS BAR LOCATED, AND NONE OF THESE PERSONS RECALLED ANY ARRESTS

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BEING MADE DURING DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN INVOLVING ARGUMENT OVER
A DOG. ALSO, SUBJECT'S PHOTOGRAPHS DISPLAYED AND AGAIN WITH
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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RE CHARLES STEIN - ARREST DISPOSITIONS

RECORDS, CLERK OF COURT, ORLEANS PARISH DISTRICT COURT,
RECORDS DIVISION, NEW ORLEANS POLICE DEPARTMENT, REFLECT
FOLLOWING DISPOSITIONS FOR NEW ORLEANS PD ARRESTS OF CHARLES
STEIN, NEW ORLEANS PD NUMBER SIX SIX ONE TWO TWO:

ARRESTED MAY NINE, FIFTYTHREE, CHARGE NO MEANS OF SUPPORT,
DISPOSITION DISCHARGED NIGHT COURT MAY TEN, FIFTYTHREE.

ARRESTED OCTOBER TWENTYSIX, FIFTYFIVE, CHARGE VIOLATION
R S ONE FOUR, ARTICLE NINE ZERO - GAMBLING, LOCAL ORDINANCE
ONE SIX NINE ONE THREE - CONDUCTING A VICE GAME, LOCAL
ORDINANCE ONE THREE NINE SEVEN FOUR - VAGRANCY BY LOITERING,
DISPOSITION CHARGE REFUSED NOVEMBER TEN, FIFTYFIVE BY ASSISTANT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY/RICHARD C. SEITHER FOR REASONS OF "INSUFFICIENT
EVIDENCE OF GAMBLING CONDUCTED AS A BUSINESS AND THAT NO
EVIDENCE THAT ANYONE WAS CUTTING THE GAME."

ARRESTED JULY FOURTEEN, SIXTYONE, CHARGE POSSESSION OF

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NARCOTICS AND POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY, R S ONE FOUR,
 ARTICLE SIX NINE. DISPOSITION, CHARGES REFUSED JULY TWENTY,
 SIXTYONE BY ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY E. ESTALOTE "INSUFFICIENT
 EVIDENCE NARCOTICS, CANNOT FIND OWNERS OF ~~SIXTYONE~~ - JUST
 POSSESSION OF PICTURES."
7.
Stolen Property

ARRESTED APRIL FOURTEEN, SIXTYTWO, CHARGE PANDERING,
 SOLICITING FOR PROSTITUTION, CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY TO PANDER,
 DISPOSITION SOLICITING AND CONSPIRACY NOLIEPROSSED FEBRUARY TWO,
 SIXTYSIX, PANDERING NOLLE PROSSED DECEMBER FOURTEEN, SIXTYFIVE.

ARRESTED FEBRUARY SIXTEEN, SIXTYTHREE, CHARGE SOLICITING
 FOR PROSTITUTION, POSSESSION OF BARBITURATES, DISPOSITION
 POSSESSION OF BARBITURATES FEBRUARY TWENTYSIX, SIXTYFOUR
 COURT SUSTAINED MOTION FOR *directed* ~~CORRECTIVE~~ VERDICT, COURT ORDERED
 DISCHARGED. SOLICITING FOR PROSTITUTION JUNE TEN, SIXTYFOUR,
 COURT ORDERED JUDGMENT OF NOT GUILTY.

RE FINGERPRINTS SUBMITTED BY NEW ORLEANS PD MARCH TWO,
 FIFTYFIVE, CHARLES JOSEPH STEIN, L FOUR THREE SIX TWO,

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ALCOHOLIC AND BEVERAGE UNIT, NEW ORLEANS PD, ADVISES STEIN OPERATED TAVERN IN NEW ORLEANS FROM MARCH TO DECEMBER, FIFTYFIVE. THIS TAVERN IS SAME LOCATION STEIN ARRESTED OCTOBER TWENTYSIX, FIFTYFIVE. FINGERPRINTS RECEIVED BY BUREAU JULY TWENTYFIVE, SIXTYONE FROM NEW ORLEANS PD UNDER NAME CHARLES STEIN. THESE PRINTS REFERRED TO ARREST ON JULY FOURTEEN, SIXTYONE.

COPIES OF NEW ORLEANS PD REPORTS RE STEIN'S ARRESTS BEING FORWARDED LOS ANGELES FOR POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE IN FUTURE CONTACTS WITH STEIN.

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RE: ROSE WILLIAMS

ON AM OF MAY ONE, LOUIS TRENT, ATTORNEY, NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED NEW ORLEANS OFFICE AND ADVISED THAT HE HAD CLIENT ~~XXXX~~ ROSE WILLIAMS, THAT WISHED TO FURNISH ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ^{INFORMATION} CONCERNING ERIC GALT BUT THAT WILLIAMS WOULD NOT FURNISH ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ^{INFORMATION} UNLESS HE WAS PRESENT. ~~HE~~ TRENT ADVISED THAT HE WOULD MAKE WILLIAMS AVAILABLE IN THE MORNING OF MAY ONE, AT HIS OFFICE.

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Rose Williams advises she is a close friend of Marie Lee.

WILLIAMS STATES SHE SAW GALT ON TWO OCCASIONS WHILE GALT WAS IN
NEW ORLEANS ^{IN DECEMBER, 1967.} THE FIRST TIME SHE SAW GALT WAS AT MARIE LEE'S

APARTMENT ON BURGUNDY STREET. SHE WAS INTRODUCED TO GALT BY

~~CHARLES~~ STEIN. GALT DID ACKNOWLEDGE THE INTRODUCTION. SHE WAS

IN GALT'S COMPANY ABOUT FIVE MINUTES. THE SECOND TIME SHE SAW

GALT WAS THE DAY GALT AND STEIN DEPARTED NEW ORLEANS. SHE OBSERVED

GALT, CHARLES STEIN, RITA STEIN'S TWO CHILDREN AND CHARLES

DECARVELHO PACKING GALT'S WHITE MUSTANG. SHE DID NOT TALK WITH

GALT ON THIS OCCASION. SHE ADVISED THAT STEIN ASKED HER TO DATE

GALT, BUT SHE DECLINED. SHE STATED SHE WAS ADVISED ~~TH~~ BY CHARLES

STEIN THAT GALT WAS COMING TO NEW ORLEANS ON BUSINESS AND ARRANGEMENTS

WERE MADE BY MARIE MARTIN TO HAVE CHARLES STEIN ACCOMPANY HIM

ON TRIP.

SHE ADVISED SHE FEELS CERTAIN THAT CHARLES STEIN DID NOT KNOW

GALT PREVIOUS TO THE TRIP ~~AS~~ STEIN INFORMED MARIE LEE OF THIS

FACT AND STEIN WOULD NOT LIE TO HIS SISTER. SHE STATED BECAUSE

OF THE SHORT PERIOD OF TIME THAT CHARLES STEIN KNEW GALT SHE DID

NOT FEEL THAT GALT AND STEIN WERE INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS SALES

IN LOS ANGELES. SHE ADVISED THAT STEIN WAS TO STAY IN NEW

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ORLEANS ONLY ONE DAY BUT REMAINED SEVERAL DAYS. SHE RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION ~~THE~~ ^{FROM} MARIE LEE AND WAS ADVISED BY LEE THAT STEIN REMAINED IN NEW ORLEANS AS GALT HAD SOME BUSINESS TO CONDUCT. MAIN PURPOSE OF STEIN'S TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS WAS TO RETURN RITA STEIN'S TWO DAUGHTERS TO CALIFORNIA.

CHARLES STEIN INFORMED HER THAT HE IS A FIRM BELIEVER IN ~~XXXX~~ COSMIC PHILOSOPHY AND ALSO INFORMED HER THAT GALT PAID FOR ALL FOOD, GAS AND MOTEL BILLS ON THE TRIP. WILLIAMS DID NOT KNOW WHERE GALT AND STEIN STOPPED ON TRIP. SHE DID NOT KNOW IF STEIN FIXED GALT UP WITH ANY WOMEN WHILE THEY WERE IN NEW ORLEANS, BUT DOUBTED THIS AS STEIN WAS OUT OF TOUCH IN NEW ORLEANS ~~SSSSSS~~ DUE TO HIS AB SENCEX.

WILLIAMS ADVISED DID NOT COME FORWARD SOONER PER REQUEST OF MARIE LEE AS LEE INFORMED HER SHE DID NOT FEEL SHE WILLIAMS COULD FURNISH FBI ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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Subsequently

LOUIS TRENT, ATTORNEY FOR ROSE WILLIAMS, ADVISED
 CONFIDENTIALLY THAT ROSE WILLIAMS ADMITTED TO HIM THAT MRS.
CLOVINA OLONZO WAS PRESENT WHEN GALT AND CHARLES STEIN DEPARTED
 NEW ORLEANS AND SHE DID NOT ADVISE FBI OF THIS FACT BECAUSE OF
 REQUEST FROM MARIE LEE NOT TO INVOLVE HER MOTHER, MRS.
 CLOVINA OLONZO.

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TO SACS KANSAS CITY 44-760, MEMPHIS 44-1987, TAMPA, COLUMBIA AND
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FROM SAC PHILADELPHIA 44-368

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RE NEW ORLEANS TEL KANSAS CITY ET AL INSTANT RE CARLOS LEE
BILLINGS.

REPORT SA GENTRY H. LOWE, JR, JUNE SIXTEEN, SIXTYSIX, AT PHILA,
CAPTIONED, "CARLOS LEE BILLINGS, AKA; ITSP; ITSMV; UFAP - PRISON
BREACH" REFLECTS SUBJ ESCAPED MAY TWENTYFOUR SIXTYFIVE.

COPY OF REPORT WAS FURNISHED ALL OFFICES.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE PHONE CALLS FROM RITA STEIN'S PHONE.

RITA STEIN ADVISED SHE CALLED HER SISTER, MARIE LEE,
AT IVANHOE PIANO BAR, NEW ORLEANS IN DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN
ADVISING CHILDREN ARRIVED SAFELY IN LOS ANGELES. STEIN ADVISED
SHE COMMUNICATES REGULARLY WITH MOTHER IN NEW ORLEANS
DUE TO MOTHER'S POOR HEALTH. DOES NOT RECALL EXACT DATES
OF CALLS TO MOTHER, BELIEVES TO BE IN MARCH AND APRIL SIXTY
EIGHT. EXACT NATURE OF CALLS NOT RECALLED BUT RAY NOT SUBJECT
OF CONVERSATIONS. STEIN ADVISED COLLECT CALL FROM NEW
ORLEANS NUMBER NINE FOUR SEVEN DASH ZERO NINE THREE ZERO
INCORRECTLY CHARGED TO HER BILL. ADVISED THAT MARYLAND
NUMBER NINE FIVE SEVEN DASH TWO THREE THREE SEVEN, CALL OF
MARCH NINETEEN LAST INCORRECTLY CHARGE TO HER.

OZAMA BOVIA, NEW ORLEANS, UNKNOWN TO RITA AND CHARLES
STEIN. PHONE AT LA LISTED IN NAME OF RITA RODE FOR PRIVACY.
OTHER UTILITIES LISTED IN NAME OF ROSAS.

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RITA STEIN ADVISED PHOTO OF RAY TAKEN IN MEXICO FALL OF SIXTY SEVEN DOES NOT LOOK LIKE HIM. CHARLES STEIN ADVISED MEXICO PHOTO OF RAY A LIKENESS OF SUBJECT BUT NOT AS GOOD AS PHOTO ON WANTED FLYER.

RE CALL FROM OZAMA BOVIA, NEW ORLEANS.

RECORDS TELEPHONE COMPANY LOS ANGELES REVEAL CALL FROM BOVIA TO FOUR SEVEN TWO DASH SEVEN SEVEN ZERO NINE, LISTED TO STEVE BOMSE, ONE ONE SEVEN SIX SEVEN, SUNSET BOULEVARD, BEL AIR, CALIFORNIA. SERVICE TO THIS NUMBER DISCONTINUED MARCH TWENTY EIGHT LAST. INVESTIGATION CONTINUES TO LOCATE BOMSE.

MARIE MARTIN BACKGROUND PHASE

RECORDS OF LAPD AND SUPERIOR COURT, LOS ANGELES EXAMINED RE RONALD ROBERT DENINNO, AKA RONALD GERALD DENINNO, MALE CAUCASIAN, BORN MARCH SIXTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY TWO, LOS ANGELES; WHO IS REPORTED TO BE BROTHER OF MARIE MARTIN.

THESE RECORDS INDICATE DENINNO HAS ARREST RECORD DATING BACK TO FEBRUARY FIFTY FIVE, WHEN WAS DECLARED WARD OF COURT FOR THEFT OF PELLET GUN AND TRUANCY. OTHER ARRESTS AS JUVENILE FOR THEFT, PURSE SNATCHING AND SUSPICION OF POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA. SUBSEQUENT ADULT ARRESTS FOR ROBBERY, BURGLARY, GRAND THEFT, AND SALE AND POSSESSION OF NARCOTICS, AND ASSULT WITH DEADLY WEAPON (BUTCHER KNIFE). MARIE MARTIN WAS WITNESS TO LATTER OFFENSE.

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PROBATION OFFICER COMMENTED, WITH REGARD TO LAST ARREST FOR POSSESSION AND SALE OF MARIJUANA IN DECEMBER SIXTY SEVEN, QUOTE ALTHOUGH ONE OF LESSER LIGHTS IN THIS PARTICULAR TRANSACTION, APPARENTLY IS MORE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS TRAFFIC THAN HE CARES TO ADMIT END QUOTE.

AIR MAIL COPY FOR BALTIMORE.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT LOS ANGELES.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, OMAHA (44-310) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
BUFILE 44-38861

RE: New Orleans teletype 4/24/68;

This teletype requested owner of Nebraska License 436-092 and at time teletype transmitted New Orleans advised this is impossible number in Nebraska.

First Nebraska licenses have a county number, followed by a letter of the alphabet which is followed by a series of numbers.

Using the number 436-092 even considering that a letter may be missing it is too high a number for 1, 2 or 3 counties which are Douglas, Lancaster and Gage respectively. It is too high for 4 county which is Custer County and also too high for 43 county which is Colfax County. Any other county is out of consideration.

ADELINE BAUER, Department of Motor Vehicles, Lincoln, Nebraska, advised that she has made a complete search of her files and it is impossible for the number as furnished by New Orleans to be a Nebraska number. LLOYD BEECHLEY is unknown at Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles Drivers License Section.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2 - Memphis
⑤ - New Orleans
2 - Omaha
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703)

MURKIN

ReNCOat to DL dated 4/25/68 and records of Postal Inspector.

On 4/30/68, Mr. MARLIN BROWN, Mail Director, Mail Loss and Depredations Division, Postal Inspectors, U. S. Post Office Department, WDC, advised SA ROBERT W. DAWSON that a memo in the files reflects that available records concerning RAY's conviction in 1955, for postal violations was made available to FBI, KC, Mo., by Postal Inspector in Charge, DONALDSON, at Kansas City.

In view of the above, no further action is being taken by WFO at WDC concerning above lead. It is to be noted that Mr. BROWN advised that records concerning postal violations are maintained at Post Office Headquarters for five years only.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

- 2 - Memphis
- 2 - Dallas (44-2649) (AM)
- ② - New Orleans (157-10673) (AM)
- 2 - Kansas City (44-760) (AM)
- 1 - WFO

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA DAVID V. BUCKLEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following investigation was conducted on April 29, 1968:

AT NATCHITOCHEs, LOUISIANA

Sheriff SAM JAMES and Chief of Police BOYD DURR advised that there are no "Hippie" rooming houses, colonies or settlements in Natchitoches or the Parish at the present time.

AT COLFAX, LOUISIANA

Chief Deputy Sheriff HERMAN NUGENT, Grant Parish Sheriff's Office, advised that there are no "Hippie" rooming houses, colonies or settlements in Colfax or Grant Parish at the present time.

1- New Orleans
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

FROM : SA PAUL R. LANCASTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-30-68

Re memo SA CALLENDER, 4/25/68

On 4-30-68 CHIEF OF POLICE STAFFORD RICHIE, Alexandria Police Department advised there are no "hippie" rooming houses in Alexandria.

On 4-30-68 Rapides Parish Deputy Sheriff EDWARD C. LYLES advised there are no "hippie" rooming houses in Rapides Parish.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA JOHN A. PFEIFER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

There are no known "hippie" rooming houses or other types of gathering places in Concordia, Catahoula, or LaSalle Parishes, but any such places discovered at a later date will be checked for subject.

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1004 AM URGENT 5/2/68 PHM

TO MEMPHIS, TAMPA, COLUMBIA, PHILADELPHIA, NEW ORLEANS
FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760 1P

MURKIN

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TO KANSAS CITY MAY ONE LAST.

INASMUCH AS CARLOS LEE BILLINGS ADVISED HIS
ACTIVITIES IN COLUMBIA, SC., TOOK PLACE IN ABOUT MARCH, SIXTYFIVE,
OR EARLY SIXTYFIVE, THE LEADS SET FORTH PREVIOUSLY BY THE
KANSAS CITY OFFICE IN THIS MATTER SHOULD BE COVERED.

IT IS NOTED THAT BILLINGS WAS IN CUSTODY IN APRIL
SIXTYFIVE, AND ESCAPED AGAIN IN MAY, SIXTYFIVE, SO IT IS
QUITE POSSIBLE THAT HIS STORY BASED ON SOME FACTS WHICH SHOULD BE
REVEALED.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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lead to*

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[Signature]

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Date: 4/29/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via Airtel _____
(Priority)

To: SAC's, New Orleans (157-10673) - Enclosures (11)
Memphis (44-1987)

✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re New Orleans airtel 4/22/68, submitting eleven registration cards, Q272 through Q282, for examination.

Two latent fingerprints developed on registration card #8486, in the name of A. C. Reid, Q273, and two latent fingerprints developed on the registration card #9370, in the name of Garnet Brown, Q277. Latent fingerprints not identical with fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G, or Walter Terry Rife, FBI #4558766.

Specimens enclosed to New Orleans Division.

Laboratory report separate.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 4/22/68

(Bufile 44-38861)

Re New Orleans airtel to Memphis dated 4/17/68 enclosing 2 investigative inserts and 4 FD-302's (total enclosures 150); New Orleans airtel to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 28 separate inserts and FD-302's (total enclosures 700); and New Orleans airtel to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 5 inserts (total enclosures 125).

All of the above material is being returned to New Orleans, which office in the future should submit its own reports.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - New Orleans (Encs. 975)
1 - Memphis
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC New Orleans (170234)

DATE: 4/29/68

FROM : SA JACK EVANS MEHL

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NO 1453-R (prob)

Dates of Contact 4/14/68 and 4/29/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
UKA		105-687
MURKIN		157-10673)
Purpose and results of contact		
<input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE refer to FD 306 dated 4/14/68. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE On 4/29/68 the source was again contacted re <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC JAMES EARL RAY. He stated that he had seen the photo- graphs of RAY and that RAY is not known to him. He further advised that no information had come to his attention concerning RAY.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Very Good	Coverage RM
No personal weaknesses noted		157-10673-766

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Memorandum

TO : SAC , NEW ORLEANS (137-1543)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA PAUL C. HENSEL

CI SI R (Prob)
 PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NO 1182-C

Dates of Contact 4/23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted MURKIN		NO 157-10673
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<p>Informant was contacted and furnished a photo of JAMES EARLE RAY, and was furnished background info concerning RAY. Informant advised that he would remain alert for RAY in the French Quarter area, and especially among the "Hippies" element.</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating VERY GOOD	Coverage CR

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Memorandum

TO : SAC *New Orleans (137-1574)* DATE:

FROM : SA *William E. Doyle*

CI SI R (Prob)
 PCI PSI R

SUBJECT:

No 1489-C

Dates of Contact <i>4/24/68</i>	
Titles and File #s on which contacted <i>MURKIN</i>	<i>157-10673</i>

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE
 POSITIVE
 STATISTIC

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <i>V. G.</i>	Coverage <i>WSTA - 1TAR</i> <i>Fug -</i>
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Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-2375)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA JAMES W. SMITH

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NO 1496-C

Dates of Contact <u>4/25/68</u>		
Titles and File #s on which contacted <u>JAMES EARL RAY, aka- 157-10673</u> <u>FUGITIVE</u>		
Purpose and results of contact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC CI GIVEN BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA AFTER BEING EXHIBITED A PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT AND REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE OF ANY INFORMATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating VERY GOOD	Coverage 157

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-2475)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA JAMES W. SMITH

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NO 1326-C

Dates of Contact	
4/25/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
JAMES EARL RAY, aka	157-10673
FUGITIVE	

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE
 POSITIVE
 STATISTIC

CI given background data and description after being exhibited a photograph of the subject and r requested to immediately advise of any information.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating VERY GOOD	Coverage 157
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC New Orleans (137-2479) DATE:

FROM : SA William E. Doyle

CI SI R (Prob)
 PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: MAX Joseph Michael von RAESfeld

Dates of Contact	
4/24/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
MURKIN	157-10673

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE
 POSITIVE
 STATISTIC

<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <i>Good</i>	Coverage 175P - Fug. FYDE - USTA
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No Acknowledgment

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Memorandum

TO : SAC , NEW ORLEANS (137-3119)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA PAUL C. HENSEL

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NATHANIEL WILSON SMART, SR

Dates of Contact	
4/12/68 & 4/23/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
UNSUBS (2) WHITNEY NATIONAL BANK GENTILLY BRANCH, 3740 ELYSIAN FIELDS AVE. NEW ORLEANS, LA., 12/14/67, BR	NO 91-3377
MURKIN	NO 157-10673

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE
 POSITIVE
 STATISTIC

UNDER FILE NO 91-3377. On 4/12/68, informant was contacted concerning FREDDIE WILLIAMS, or DOROTHY WILLIAMS. Informant advised that he is not familiar with the above two individuals, but that he would remain alert for any information concerning these people, which he might possibly pick up in some of the Washington Ave. bars.

UNDER FILE NO 157-10673. Informant was contacted and shown a picture of JAMES EARLE RAY, and also furnished information concerning RAY's background. He was asked to remain alert for any information concerning RAY, and to advise the office immediately upon any receipt of information.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD	Coverage BR, CR
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Memorandum

TO : SAC *New Orleans (137-3158)* DATE:

FROM : SA *William E. Doyle*

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT:

William WASHINGTON

Dates of Contact <i>4/24/68</i>	
Titles and File #s on which contacted <i>MURKIN</i>	<i>157-10673</i>

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE
 POSITIVE
 STATISTIC

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating <i>Good</i>	Coverage <i>Fug-RUDE 17SP-ASTA</i>
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Mr. Stephens Noted

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, **NEW ORLEANS (137-3196)**

DATE: **4/30/68**

FROM : SA **PAUL C. HENSEL**

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: **LEOPOLD J. MERMELSTEIN**

Dates of Contact	
Attempted 4/23/68 Contacted 4/24/68	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
MURKIN	NO 157-10673

Purpose and results of contact

NEGATIVE
 POSITIVE
 STATISTIC

Attempts were made to contact the informant on 4/23/68, but it was determined that he was outside the city. He was contacted on 4/24/68, shown a picture of JAMES EARLE RAY, at which time he advised he was not familiar with anyone who looked like RAY, but he would remain alert for anyone matching the description, and looking like the photo. He advised that he would furnish any info obtained immediately to the FBI Office.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD	Coverage CR
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Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-3340)

DATE: 4/29/68

FROM : SA William E. Dent, Jr.

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: PCI JAMES W. SANDERFORD

Dates of Contact		
4/25/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
157-10673	MURKIN	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage RM
No personal weaknesses noted		

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-3353)

DATE: 4/30/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM E. DENT, JR.

CI SI R (Prob)
 PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: HIRAM WILLIAM GRIFFIN

Dates of Contact 4/25/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
157-10673	MURKIN	
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage RM

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-3045)

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM : SA NEIL E. PRICE

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NO 1536-C

Dates of Contact		
4/23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
MURKIN		157-10673
Purpose and results of contact		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE	CI advised that to the best of his knowledge, he had never seen JAMES EARL RAY anywhere, but stated he would remain alert for information concerning the subject.	
<input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC		
<p>CI advised he was going to move and close out his business in New Orleans. He stated that he was in bad health and had to leave the climate of Louisiana. He also stated that due to his heart attack, his doctor had advised him to limit his activities, so he was going into retirement from the gun repairing and selling business. He advised he was going to move either the last of April or the first of May, 1968.</p> <p>He further advised that he had already traveled to McClellan, Texas, with the intent of purchasing a house there.</p> <p>It was noted that the merchandise in CI's store was almost completely removed and plans to move appeared to be imminent.</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating GOOD	Coverage General Criminal

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (137-3282)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA ALBERT B. MILLER

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: ELIZABETH CARDOZA
PCI

Dates of Contact
attempt on 4/17/68; 4/24/68

Titles and File #s on which contacted
MURKIN **157-10673**

Purpose and results of contact

- NEGATIVE
- POSITIVE
- STATISTIC

On 4/24/68 PCI looked at photos of suspect JAMES EARL RAY, aka, without recognition. She commented she has been reading in the newspapers about the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and has been alert for any information that would be of assistance in the investigation. She stated she has developed none, but will keep watchful, and will advise should anything of any possible significance be developed.

Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating
Good

Coverage
Fugitives, WSTA, Hippies, etc.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC , NEW ORLEANS (137-3075)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA ALBERT B. MILLER

CI SI R (Prob)

SUBJECT: NO 1559-C

PCI PSI R

Dates of Contact 4/24/68												
Titles and File #s on which contacted MURKIN		157-10673										
Purpose and results of contact												
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC												
<p>On 4/24/68 CI telephonically advised SA ALBERT B. MILLER that she has been unable to develop information re suspect JAMES EARL RAY, aka. She stated photos of him are negative to her. CI advised she will continue to keep alert for information of any possible value, and will immediately advise should information be obtained.</p>												
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage WSTA, Fugitive, Gambling, Gen'l Intell.										
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC NEW ORLEANS (137-1343)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA NORMAN A. ZIGROSSI

CI SI R (Prob)

PCI PSI R

SUBJECT: NO 1366-C

Dates of Contact 4/22/68

Titles and File #s on which contacted
GENERAL CRIMINAL = RACIAL MATTERS
ITSMV MATTERS
Murkin 157-10673

Purpose and results of contact ITSMV MATTERS
 NEGATIVE CI stated that the individual he previously referred
 POSITIVE to that is renting the warehouse at Herrin All-Car Parts
 STATISTIC Inc., is Harold J. Runnels, W/M, 45 years old, 190#.
Informant said that Runnels is dealing in older cars, 1961-65,
allegedly ~~xxxxxxwholesaling~~ selling these cars to dealers in
in New Orleans area at wholesale prices. Informant stated he
still feels Runnels is probably dealing in hot cars although he
has no definite proof at this time. CI said he will attempt to
develop additional info re Runnels activity.

CI further stated that he has heard that
Pats Auto Sale, which is located on Canah Street is handling
"hot cars".. Informant said he could furnish no further details
concerning the sale of stolen cars at Pats.

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RACIAL MATTERS

Informant stated that during the night of 4/21/68,
he observed 12-15 Negroes "working out" at the Lakefront on ~~the~~
LakeShore DR. across from the American Storage Co. warehouse.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating EXCELLENT	Coverage BB:BR:FUG:ITSMV
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CI has shown no sign of emotional instability.

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CI stated that he was able to get the license numbers of two of the cars these individuals arrived in. One of the cars was a Corvair bearing 1968 Fla. license # 8-I-0939, the other was a 1965 Chevrolet bearing 1968 La. license #198-B961. Informant stated that he watched these individuals for about 30 minutes and that they appeared to be involved in some type of combative drill. Informant said he could furnish no additional info concerning this matter.

Above info, including license #s furnished SA ~~XXXX~~ Heibel, RM co-ordinator.

MURKIN

CI viewed photo of James Earl Ray with negative results.

Indicies re Harold J. Runnels reflects old 26 Case however contains nothing of significance.

Info re stolen cars written up in memo form and new 26 case being opened.

Date 5-2-68

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Subject Johnny Velantie

Aliases _____

Address _____	Birth Date _____	Birthplace _____	Race _____	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
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