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Mr. PAUL HAYES, Mgr., Dixie Court	Detroit Memphis Milwaukee	Spr ingfield
J. H. WICKER, Mgr., No-El Motel	Albuquerque Atlanta Birmingham Buffalo Detroit Indianapolis Knoxville	Little Rock Memphis New Orleans Oklahoma City Savannah Springfield Tampa
Mrs. G. N. PRUETTE, Owner, Teetotum Motel	Memphis	-
Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH, Nite-Fall Motel	Atlanta Indianapolis Little Rock Memphis Minneapolis	Omaha Richmond St. Louis Springfield

JN 157-9586

A Xerox copy of each motel registration has been made by the Jackson Division, and copies of these registrations are being maintained in the bulky exhibit file of Jackson File 157-9586.

It is noted on the registrations that there is registration from Saskatchewan, Canada, at the Round-Town Motel, and a registration from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, at the Holiday Inn, during the pertinent period. It is being left to the discretion of Memphis, the Office of Origin, as to whether appropriate LHM should be submitted to the Bureau to have these individuals identified in Canada.

The names of those individuals appearing on the motel registrations who reside within the Jackson Division are being identified through indices check in the Jackson Office and appropriate credit and criminal being conducted within the cities in which they indicate they reside.

LEADS:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

All offices receiving copies of this communication will review the FD-302s which they have received for names of those individuals who reside within their respective divisions and will review the names through the appropriate office indices and will identify the individual through appropriate credit and criminal check, and if deemed advisable, will interview the individual if there is a possibility of any association with JAMES EARL RAY.

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By airtel dated 5/7/69, copies of which were not furnished the Bureau, the Jackson Office set out leads for those offices to whom copies of this communication are designated. These offices have been requested to interview several hundred persons who spent the night in motels at Corinth, Miss., on or about 4/2/68.

In view of the fact that more than a year has passed since these persons stayed over night at Corinth, and since similar investigation of this type in this case has previously been unproductive, and since HUIE has admitted that RAY frequently is untruthful in statements to him, and further since it is not believed that it is of any particular importance to establish whether or not JAMES EARL RAY stayed over night at Corinth on 4/2/68, all offices will disregard the leads set out in Jackson airtel dated 5/7/69, unless specifically advised by the Bureau to cover same.

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SAC. NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) TO

DATE: 5/16/69

SA G. MYRYWIN ALDERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The Bureau advised that William Bradford Huie has written a third article for "Look" magazine. The article appeared in the issue dated April 15, 1969, but the issue was circulated on April 1, 1969. A review of the article revealed that James Earl Ray allegedly registered at the Traveloge Motel. Five Points, Birmingham, Alabama on March 29, 1968; at a motel near Florence, Alabama on April 1, 1968; and at a motel near Corinth, Mississippi on April 2, 1968. On April 3, 1968, he was registered at the Rebel Motel, Memphis, Tennessee.

The Bureau stated that in an effort to establish whether or not Ray was in contact with any individuals immediately prior to the assassination, the Birmingham and Jackson Offices should make inquiries of the motels in or near the cities indicated to determine the identities of individuals registered during the period March 29 to April 3, 1968. The Bureau pointed out that it should be understood that there is to be no indication made whatsoever that any investigation made has any connection with the case involving James Earl Ray.

The Jackson Office checked the registrations of all motels at Corinth, Mississippi. All names have been checked through the New Orleans indices for registrants from Lousiana, with negative results. Each individual listed below should be identified through appropriate credit and criminal checke. NO INDIVIDUAL IS TO BE INTERVIEWED WITHOUT CLEARING WITH THE BUREAU.

The following individuals should be identified by credit and criminal checks:

BATON ROUGE RA

Mr. & Mrs. M. PLATT, P. O. Box 163, Anglea, La. A. O. CUNNINGHAM, 1755 Florida Street, Baton Rouge, La.

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M. O. JOHNSON, Box 672, Opelousas, La. (Gibson Pharmacy) S. PAUL ROZAS, 1351 Anne Street, Eunice, La. (Gibson Phar)

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JAMES L. MacLOUD, 502 East Academy, Jennings, La.

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FLOYD E. READY, 3922 Melinda Street, Bhreveport, La. JIM R. GARDNER, P. O. Box 1311, Shreveport, La.

This investigation should be handled EXPEDITIOUSLY and the results promptly submitted to the New Orleans Office.