

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SA H. LAMAR MEYER

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

On 4/30/68, the following were contacted and a copy of wanted flier #442-A, printed in the Spanish language, was left with them. All promised to contact the San Juan Office of the FBI if the subject or information concerning him came to their attention:

PCI EDDIE RAMIREZ
PCI MARCILYN BRAVO
PCI LIONEL ALFONSO GILLARD
SUSIE GAUTIER, "Home", beatnick shop located
corner Tetuan at San Jose, San Juan,
Puerto Rico.
MARION RHODES, Main Street Bar, a gay bar
located San Jose Street, San Juan,
Puerto Rico.
CARL DEMARS, Downtown Bar, also a gay bar,
located on San Jose Street, San Juan,
Puerto Rico.

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		Date prepared 4/18/68
Date received 4/16/68	Received from (name or symbol number) SJ 233-S	Received by RICHARD C. SONNICHSEN

Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks)
 in person by telephone by mail orally recording device written by Informant

If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:	Date of Report
Dictated <u>4/16/68</u> to <u>Vivien E. Fernandez</u>	NA
Transcribed <u>4/18/68</u>	Date(s) of activity
Authenticated by Informant <u>4/30/68</u>	NA

Brief description of activity or material
PCP membership information.

File where original is located if not attached
134-7A-1162

Remarks: ACTION: 1. All necessary action has been taken on information contained herein.
 2. SOURCE HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST. WHEN INFORMATION FROM SOURCE IS DISSEMINATED, IT SHOULD BE PARAPHRASED AND CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL TO PROTECT IDENTITY OF SOURCE.

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 134-7A (Inv)
 157-61 (Martin Luther King)
 105-9062 (Alberto Rodriguez Mercado)
 105-5208 (Incendiarism)
 100-20 (PCP)
 100-388 (Juan Santos Rivera)
 100-5260 (Gertrudis Melendez Rivera)
 100-3767 (Ramon Negron Martinez)
 100-6401 (Rafael Romero Cuevas)
 105-6678 (Franklin Irizarry Rodriguez)
 100-6402 (Pascual Otero Benoit)
 100-2315 (Jose Bexios Chevere)
 100-401 (Jose Ramorado Cuesta)
 100-955 (Juan Bautista Perez Mender)
 100-4149 (Jose Andujar Ramos)
 105-5452 (Manuel Mendez Del Toro)

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105-7007 (Antonio Colon De Jesus)
100-5241 (Cristino Perez Mendez)
100-3675 (Felix Ojeda Ruiz)
100-5055 (Fernando Fuentes Jimenez)
100-6661 (William Frederick Mohler Benitez)
100-5804 (Angel Luis Torres Mercado)
105-5796 (Sergio Kentish)
105-8384 (Ramon Cruz)

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3. Source furnished ten copies of issue #24 of "Pueblo", March, 1968. These copies are all being destroyed as this issue has previously been received and translated.

Source could not report any positive information concerning the recent assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Source advised that no discussions had been held at the PCP meetings concerning recent bombings and incendiary activities in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He was directed to take every opportunity to converse with friends and acquaintances in an effort to develop information concerning these incendiary activities.

4. The following is lead information, not reduced to writing:

ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ MERCADO DELGADO was introduced to the PCP during the spring of 1967 by PCP member JOSE ANDUJAR. He attended a few PCP meetings during the spring of 1967, but then stopped attending PCP meetings. Source could furnish no information concerning any organization that RODRIGUEZ might have joined after quitting the PCP.

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The following comprises the present PCP membership:

JUAN SANTOS RIVERA
GERTRUDIS MELENDEZ RIVERA PEREZ
RAMON NEGRON MARTINEZ
RAFAEL ROMERO CUEVAS
FRANKLIN IRIZARRY RODRIGUEZ
PASCUAL OTERO BENOIT
JOSE BERRIOS CHEVERE
JOSE ENAMORADO CUESTA
JUAN BAUTISTA PEREZ MENDEZ
JOSE ANDUJAR RAMOS
MANUEL MENDEZ DEL TORO
ANTONIO COLON DE JESUS
CRISTINO PEREZ MENDEZ
FELIX OJEDA RUIZ
FERNANDO FUENTES JIMENEZ
WILLIAM FREDERICK MOHLER BENITEZ
ANGEL LUIS TORRES MORGADO
SERGIO KENTISH

TORRES and KENTISH are both veterans and ROMERO, KENTISH, and MOHLER belong to unions.

JUAN SANTOS, GERTRUDIS MELENDEZ, PASCUAL OTERO, JOSE CHEVERE, ENAMORADO CUESTA, and FELIX OJEDA are all unemployed. SERGIO KENTISH is the only negro who is presently a PCP member.

The PCP covers the entire island of Puerto Rico but there are no appreciable activities outside the metropolitan area of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Marxism classes have been discontinued and the PCP is now holding historical conferences on Sundays instead of the Marxism classes.

PCP Headquarters is located at 13 Venecia Street, Stop 27, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico, in a residence owned by JUAN SANTOS RIVERA.

An individual named RAMON CRUZ recently wrote a letter to JUAN SANTOS RIVERA advising him that he wished to join the PCP but no action has been taken on this request.

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TO : SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61) (P)

FROM : SA JOE C. SPARKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

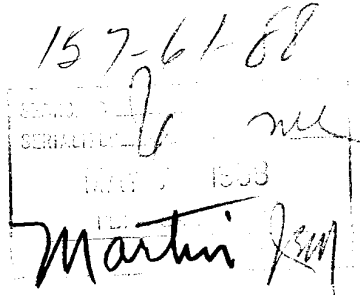
DATE: 5/7/68

On 4/28/68, 9:30 pm, I received an anonymous telephone call at my home. The caller advised that one week ago at approximately 10:30 am he was at Red Hook, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, and overheard a conversation between a 40 year old white male and one of the employees of the Dohm Water Taxi Service. The 40 year old white male fit the description of the individual sought in the MURKIN case and looked similar to the caller to a picture he saw in the 4/20/68, issue of the New York Times. He said this unknown individual inquired as to places to stay in Cruz Bay, St. John, and Mead's was recommended to him as a comfortable spot that was not too expensive.

I conducted the following investigation on 4/29/68.

Per Dohm, Operator of the Dohm Water Taxi, at Red Hook, St. Thomas, advised that he recalled having spoken to an individual approximately a week ago who was inquiring about a place to stay in Cruz Bay, St. John, Virgin Islands. He explained that the incident stood out in his memory since almost without exception anyone going to St. John has reservations there for a place to stay. Since Dohm transports so many people to and from St. John from Red Hook, he was unable to furnish a description of the individual in question. He viewed photographs of RAY, aka Galt, and advised that he could not state that the individual in question looked like these photographs. After transporting the individual in question to Cruz Bay, Dohm saw him sometime later possibly the following day and inquired if he had found a place to stay. The individual told him that he was staying at Ellingtons Guest House.

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Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD ELLINGTON, Ellingtons Guest House, advised that the only unaccompanied male guest they had had was VICTOR VILLEMAIN who stayed with them 2 days beginning 4/23/68. He gave as his home address 31 Union Square, New York City, 10003. He had a bar bill of \$4.55 and paid \$20 a night for the 2 nights. Both Mr. and Mrs. ELLINGTON advised that VILLEMAIN was over 50 years of age, had long hair and walked with a cane. His manner was effeminate and they suspect that he is a homosexual. After examining photographs of RAY, aka "Galt" they advised there was no question in their mind but what this VILLEMAIN could not be identical with RAY.

With the assistance of Patrolman V. SPRAUVE, St. John Police Department, the following individuals were contacted concerning the possibility of RAY having been in the area or been a guest at their establishments. No positive information was developed. Mrs. MEADA, MEAD's Guest House, Cruz Bay, St. John, Virgin Islands; Mr. and Mrs. JOHN R. WOODSIDE, Cinnamon Bay, St. John, Virgin Islands; DAVID BREWER, Manager Cameel Bay Plantation, St. John, Virgin Islands.

Photographs of RAY were left with Captain LEANDER R. JURGEN, St. Thomas Police Department, who was made aware of the circumstances of the anonymous telephone call he advised that he would realert the 9 men on his force in St. John to be doubly alert for any individual who might fit the description of RAY and immediately notify the contacting agent.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61) - P -

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA BUFRED M. MOSLEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS

Re: Memo of SA JAMES R. MARTIN, 4/17/68

On 4/23/68 PHILLIP S. ARENSBERG, General Manager, Caddillac Uniform and Linen Supply, corner of A and C Streets, Minillas Industrial Center, Bayamon, Puerto Rico, advised his company uses a National Markmaster machine which applies a one inch cloth tape to rental uniforms and prints in all capital letters that measure 1/3 inch; the ink is red. This machine was viewed in operation. ARENSBERG advised that the above mentioned machine was the only marking machine used by his company. He viewed the color photo of the shirt and shorts that have the number 02B-6 and stated that his equipment would not prepare such a mark.

On 4/23/68 an attempt was made to contact Mrs. MARIA FERRER BALCELLS at 1B-32 Royal Palm, Bayamon, P.R. to no avail.

On 4/24/68 Mrs. FERRER was contacted at the above address and she furnished the following information:

~~She advised~~ On Monday, 4/15/68, at about 5:00 p.m. she caught a airport bound bus at stop #19 on Fernandez Juncos. She advised that this bus was crowded and that one of the male passengers who was standing in the bus when she boarded was later seen by her in the airport terminal. FERRER stated that she had gone to the airport to recover a piece of luggage and did not notice any person or place contacted by the above mentioned passenger during the period of approximately one hour that she was in the Airport terminal.

FERRER stated that she boarded a bus marked "Airport via Condado" upon leaving the Airport Terminal with her piece of luggage and took a seat next to a window on the right side in the middle of the bus. She advised that moments later the above mentioned individual entered the bus; walked to the rear portion and then returned and set in the seat immediately to her left. She advised that she did not get a good look at this individual's face from the front inasmuch as he never turned his head while sitting next to her even though he talked to her in English and did not know Spanish. She furnished the following description of the above individual:

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NAME: Unknown

SEX: Male

RACE: White

AGE: 38 or 39

HEIGHT: 6 ft.

WEIGHT: 180 lbs.

HAIR: Dark blonde or light brown, *Med. length.*

EYES: Light blue

COMPLEXION: Pale, not tanned nor sun-burned

SCARS & MARKS: None noticed

DRESS - plaid bermuda shorts, tennis shoes + sport shirt

Mrs. FERRER advised that while returning from the airport the above described man mentioned that he was from Connecticut and was looking at a folded map (origin unk.) and he asked her if the bus would pass close to Punta Las Marias. She said that she told him that the bus would pass very close to that area and he then told the bus driver to remember to stop in that area. FERRER then stated that the above Unknown Male wanted to know the frequency of the busses that ran between Punta Las Marias area and the airport. She advised that they operated frequently and told him so. She stated that he got off the bus at Llorens Torres near a small triangular park and walked ~~xxx~~ towards the beach. She stated that he turned and waved to her from the sidewalk and she caught a glimpse of his face from the front.

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FERRER advised that on 4/20/68 she saw a photo of ERIC STARVO GALT in the local paper, EL MUNDO, and that the photo displayed bore a very strong resemblance to the man that she described above as having been on the bus with her. When asked as to why she remembered this man she stated that she thought it very strange that the man on the bus would never turn and face her even though they conversed during their trip together.

JAMES EARL RAY

■ Mrs. FERRER viewed several photos and selected the photos on I.O. 4182 (the 2 photos on the left) as being very close to the person she saw on 4/15/68. She stated that the man she saw had longer (medium length) hair and she was not sure of the straight-on face photo of JAMES EARL RAY, aka, but noted that the profile shot was very close ~~to~~ to the man she described above. *However she stated she could not state the individual she saw was identical with James Earl Ray.*

On 4/²⁵~~28~~/68 an examination was made of the area along Baldorioty Avenue which Mrs. FERRER described as the point of departure from the bus by the above described unknown male. It was determined that ^{the} individual had apparently departed the bus on 4/15/68 at the corner of Jupiter St. and Baldorioty Ave.

The following guest houses in this area ~~was~~ were contacted with negative results:

ELVAX ALVAREZ, Calle Loiza #2478A
MANUEL OTERO, Calle Loiza #2482
LISA VEGAS, 107 Doncella, 2nd Floor
RONNIE LAO, 107 Doncella, 1st Floor

Same date HENRY MARQUE RODRIGUEZ, White Castle Guest House, 106 Doncella St., advised that several days prior a young man had inquired about a room, but desired something cheaper than ~~XXXXX~~ \$25.00 per week. This young man was described as follows:

White/male
age 20s
6 ft.
185 lbs.
sandy hairs

RODRIGUEZ stated that the above person bore a slight resemblance to the 1960 photos of JAMES EARL RAY on I.O. #4182, but that this person was definitely not RAY based on age.

On 4/25/68 Mr. and Mrs. O.S.E. PERKINS, the owners of the Villa Marq Guest House, 4 Caoba St., advised that on 4/15/68 one ROBERT C. WHELAN registered at their guest house and ~~XXXXX~~ gave his address as 1773 Central Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn. They advised that WHELAN left to return to Conn. on 4/22/68 with some money which was cabled to him by his father. They described ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ WHELAN as follows: White/male, age 20s, 6 ft., 175-180 lbs., Brown hair, blue eyes, no scars or marks recalled. The PERKINS observed I.O.#4182 and advised that WHELAN was not identical with JAMES EARL RAY, but noted that the profile photo of RAY bore some resemblance to the profile of WHELAN..

In view of the above information regarding WHELAN it is felt that WHELAN is identical with the person seen on 4/15/68 by Mrs. FERRER.

Routing Slip
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- Birmingham
- Boston
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- Butte
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- Cleveland
- Columbia
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- Denver
- Detroit
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- Honolulu

- Houston
- Indianapolis
- Jackson
- Jacksonville
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- Little Rock
- Los Angeles
- Louisville
- Memphis
- Miami
- Milwaukee
- Minneapolis
- Mobile
- Newark
- New Haven
- New Orleans

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- Santo Domingo
- Tokyo

Date May 3, 1968

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:

Enclosed are copies of another photograph taken of James Earl Ray, aka Eric S. Galt in Fall of 1967.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: MOBILE (157-2627)

MURKIN, OO: ME.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE, TEN THIRTYONE AM, APRIL THIRTY
LAST, AND SAN JUAN TELETYPE, MAY ONE, SIXTYEIGHT.

INVESTIGATION, MONTGOMERY, ALA., REFLECTS RUFUS RAY,
TWENTYFIVE E. SOUTH ST., A RETIRED INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
EMPLOYEE, KNOWN TO SRA SPENCER H. ROBB APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-
THREE YEARS, ADVISED HIS SON, LT. COL. JAMES EARL RAY
PRESENTLY SERVING WITH U. S. ARMY IN SOUTH VIETNAM, AND
GRANDSON, JAMES EARL RAY, JR., CURRENTLY IN U. S. NAVY IN
JACKSONVILLE, FLA. RAY STATES SUBJECT OF THIS CASE NOT
RELATED IN ANY WAY TO HIS FAMILY AND HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF HIM.

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TO ALL SACS PLAINTEXT
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MURKIN

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TWO ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY WERE RELEASED TODAY TO NEWS MEDIA IN WASHINGTON. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER ONE SHOULD BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN IN MEXICO)." THIS IS THE PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY IN DARK GLASSES AND SPORT SHIRT. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER TWO SHOULD BEAR CAPTION "JAMES EARL RAY (PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT IN CALIFORNIA)." THIS IS HEAD SHOT OF RAY IN BUSINESS SUIT WHICH SHOWS MARKED CLEFT IN CHIN. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE COPIES OF THESE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS LOCALLY AND YOU SHOULD INSURE THEY RECEIVE WIDE-SPREAD DISTRIBUTION THROUGH ALL MEDIA CONTACTS. FIVE COPIES OF EACH OF THESE PHOTOGRAPHS PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED ALL OFFICES.

LEGATS MEXICO AND OTTAWA ADVISE.

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*S.A. McMahon
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FBI Admite Posibilidad Acusado Asesinato King Huyó Australia

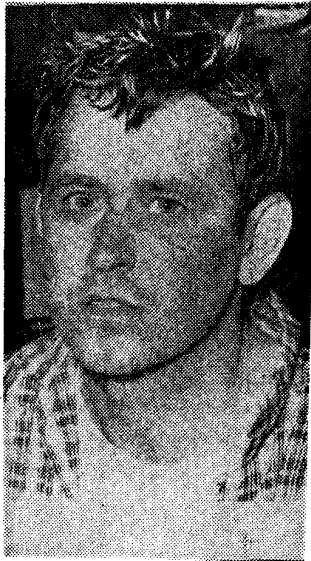
WASHINGTON — (UPI) — Un funcionario de la Embajada de Australia informó ayer que el FBI le pidió al gobierno australiano que realizara una "investigación de rutina" para ver si James Earl Ray, a quien se busca por el asesinato del doctor Martin Luther King, solicitó una visa para viajar a ese país.

El funcionario enfatizó, sin embargo, que "las autoridades australianas no tiene evidencia de que la persona interesada (Ray) esté en Australia."

Las fuentes estadounidenses también subrayaron la naturaleza rutinaria del pedido. Estos dijeron que sería lógico asumir que pedidos similares tiene o deben de ser hechos a otras naciones en las cuales Ray podría buscar refugio. El FBI no comentó sobre las declaraciones del funcionario de la Embajada.

Ray, también conocido por el alias de Eric Starvo Galt, ha sido objeto de una búsqueda incansante desde que el doctor King fue muerto mientras estaba parado en el balcón de un hotel en Memphis, Tenesí.

Ray, quien ha sido acusado de asesinato por las autoridades de Memphis, fue añadido a la lista de los más buscados por el FBI después de una investigación de más de 53,000 hue-



Ray Galt

llas digitales que dieron a conocer que las huellas encontradas en el baño de una casa de hospedajes eran idénticas a las del hombre buscado. Este también encara una acusación federal por conspiración.

Ray se escapó de una penitenciaría estatal en Missouri en abril del 1967, mientras cumplía una sentencia de 20 años por robo armado y robo de autos.

El funcionario de la Embajada de Australia dijo:

"A pedido del FBI, las autoridades australianas están realizando una investigación de rutina para ver si ha habido una solicitud de visa para Australia por la persona acusada del asesinato del doctor Martin Luther King, hijo."

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Identify Man Sought In King Slaying

WASHINGTON (AP) -- A man sought in connection with the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King has been identified by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as an escapee from the Missouri State Penitentiary. The F.B.I. said yesterday after-
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noon that Eric Starvo Galt actually is 40-year-old James Earl Ray.

The G-Men said Ray, who used the alias Galt, was identified through an exhaustive check of latent fingerprints uncovered in the King case.

The F.B.I. said it went through the fingerprints of the more than 53,000 persons for whom wanted notices are on file in the Bureau's identification division.

Ray has been reported missing from the Missouri State Penitentiary since April 23, 1968. He was serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery in St. Louis.

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CRIMINAL ACCUSED OF KING DEATH MAKES F.B.I.'s 'MOST WANTED' LIST

WASHINGTON (AP)--What may be the nation's most intensive manhunt gained fresh pressure when the F.B.I. placed on its "most wanted" list a fugitive convict accused of murder in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

James Earl Ray, 40-year-old armed and extremely dangerous. habitual criminal, is being hunted by police from border to border and beyond for the April 4 sniper-slaying in Memphis of the Negro civil rights leader from Atlanta.

The F.B.I. always has limited its list of most wanted criminals to ten names. But it has lengthened this roll of dishonor to eleven by adding Ray, a white loner known also by the name of Eric Starvo Galt and by six other aliases.

In addition to a state first-degree murder warrant issued in Memphis, Ray is wanted on Federal charges of conspiracy to deny Dr. King his civil rights and of flight to escape confinement. The latter charge stems from his April 1967 escape from Missouri Prison at Jefferson City where he was starting a 20-year sentence for armed robbery.

In announcing the unprecedented step of adding an eleventh name to the "ten most wanted" list, F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover announced it was done "to insure the widest possible dissemination of Ray's photograph and description to help effect his earliest possible location."

The official language puts it this way:

"Ray should be considered anyone with information concern-

ing this fugitive is requested to immediately contact the nearest office of the F.B.I. the telephone number of which may be found on the first page of local telephone directories."

Reportedly a native of Illinois, Ray is described as about five feet ten inches tall, weighing from 163 to 174 pounds. He has blue eyes and brown hair usually worn short. Forehead and right palm bear small scars. His nose is narrow and straight, teeth even. And he has a noticeable protruding left ear, the lobe of which he reportedly tugs at when nervous.

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~~Un Mes Después~~

FBI Falla en Búsqueda Asesino de Luther King

Por ENRIQUE ROJAS-VELA

NUEVA YORK, Mayo 6 (UPD) — El 4 de abril Martin Luther King, el líder del Movimiento para el Avance de los Negros por Medios Pacíficos, fue asesinado en Memphis. El FBI que ha divulgado la identidad del presunto asesino, no ha podido dar con él y nada parece indicar que se esté cerca del éxito en la búsqueda de James Earl Ray, alias "Eric Starvo Galt", sindicado como autor del crimen.

Según las autoridades, Ray, fugitivo de la Penitenciaría del estado de Missouri, trabajó un año en la preparación de la identidad de Galt, de quien por supuesto, se carece de adecuada información estadística. La FBI tiene señalado que Ray dejó sus impresiones digitales en el fusil con que se ultimó al Dr. King.

Truman Capote, el autor de "In Cold Blood", extensa y dramática narración del asesinato de la familia Clutter (esposos e hijo e hija) en 1959, manifestó que en su opinión, las impresiones digitales de Ray en el fusil del asesinato no significan que Ray fuera quien apretó el gatillo que segó la vida de King.

Causando sensación con la teoría, que expuso con su habitual claridad y pausadamente, Capote expresó el convencimiento de que Ray pasó a mejor vida y que era ya cadáver semanas antes del asesinato del Dr. King. En cuanto a las huellas dactiloscópicas que aparecen en el fusil, dijo que efectivamente serían las del presidiario, como parte corroborante en una muy perspicaz conjura para terminar con el popular dirigente negro, ganador del Premio Nobel de la Paz. La conjetura es que el movimiento de reivindicación de los negros por medios ajenos a la violencia no convenía a los virulentos inspiradores del "poder negro", que no hace un secreto de su favoritismo por las medidas de fuerza y aun el terrorismo.

No formuló acusación alguna sino que meramente expuso su punto de vista en el programa

de Johnie Carson en la red de televisión NBC. Dio a conocer asimismo interesantes aspectos del crimen en general y de los delincuentes. Por algo consagró cinco años a la preparación de "In Cold Blood", a partir de 1960. Tuvo oportunidad de familiarizarse con el

pensamiento íntimo de los dos asesinos de la familia Clutter, que fueron ajusticiados en abril de 1965, y estudió a fondo todos los aspectos de la criminalidad para formarse impresiones bien definidas de lo que puede hacer una "mente homicida".

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Date 4/22/68

HAROLD GLENDENNING, Manager, Base Exchange Laundry, Naval Station Annex, San Juan, Puerto Rico, advised that he has four (4) Thermo-Seal marking machines, made by the Textile Marking Machine Company.

He advised that they have never used a series of marking numbers starting with the letter O in marking laundry.

He stated that the Thermo-Seal tape is used by the laundry only on laundry and not dry cleaning and the red tape is used on "Super Specials," which is laundry with same day service. He advised that the Base Laundry uses the first letter of W on the red tape specials.

GLENDENNING viewed the photograph of the laundry mark "O2B-6" and stated that this does not appear to have been made by his machines. He noted that the first letter, O, was cut and the tape appeared to be shorter than the tape from his machines.

GLENDENNING furnished samples of the tape from each of his machines. These samples were taken in the presence of SA JAMES R. MARTIN from the following Textile Marking machines:

- 1) Serial Number 34064
- 2) Serial Number 34063
- 3) Serial Number 33520
- 4) Serial Number 33521

GLENDENNING advised that there is a distributor of Thermo-Seal tape in Puerto Rico and his name is MANUEL GOMEZ ESTEVES, Quisqueya and Haiti Streets, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico.

He stated that the laundry mark W2B-6 was used by the Base Laundry on 1/23/68, however, a search of all of the laundry files, both special and regular, failed to locate the laundry mark of W2B-6.

On 4/17/68 at San Juan, Puerto Rico File # San Juan 157-61 -97
 by SA JAMES R. MARTIN /wtl Date dictated 4/22/68

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MANUEL GOMEZ ESTEVES, Distributor, Thermo-Seal tape, Quisqueya and Haiti Streets, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico, advised SA JAMES R. MARTIN on April 17, 1968, that he is the distributor in Puerto Rico, for Thermo-Seal tape and in addition to the U. S. Naval Station, San Juan, Puerto Rico, he has the following customers who also have the Textile Marking Machines:

- (1) California Dry Cleaning Company
Roosevelt and Torres Streets
Ponce, Puerto Rico
- (2) Esquire Cleaners
Carpenter Road and Quisqueya Street
Hato Rey, Puerto Rico
- (3) Cadillac Linen and Supply
Minillas, Santa Rosa, Bayamón, Puerto Rico
(across road from Western Watch Company)
- (4) Tropical Dry Cleaners and Laundry
Navarro Street, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico
(on street behind Sears and Roebuck)
- (5) Princepado Modern Dry Cleaning
Carpenter Road and Borinquen Avenue
Hato Rey, Puerto Rico
- (6) Band Box Laundry and Dry Cleaners
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
- (7) La Croix Laundry and Cleaners
Frederickstad, St. Croix, Virgin Islands

GOMEZ stated that Dimont Trading, Domanech Street, in the Professional Building, close to the Hospital de Maestreas, Roosevelt, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico., may be a distributor of Thermo-Seal tape and have additional customers.

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On April 22, 1968, PEDRO MONTEQUIN, Vice President, Dimont Trading Corporation, 400 Domenech Avenue, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico, advised that this company does not distribute the Thermo-seal tape. He stated that he has the Tag-o-matic laundry marking equipment.

The above-mentioned seven (7) companies were contacted and advised as follows:

1. JOSU CORTES, Manager, California Dry Cleaning Company, Ponce, Puerto Rico, never used the code O2B-6. They use a code showing only the abbreviation of the day of the week and a lot number, such as FRI II, for Friday and lot number two.

2. SERVIO SANCHEZ, Manager, Esquire Cleaners, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico, advised he has a machine but it has been broken for three years and not used. They never used code such as O2B-6.

3. PHILLIP S. ARENSBERG, General Manager, Cadillac Linen and Supply, Bayamon, Puerto Rico, advised he does not use Thermo-seal tape, but uses a National Markmaster machine with a one inch cloth tape 1/3 inch in width.

4. MRS. MOLINA BENITEZ, Tropical Dry Cleaners and Laundry, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, advised she has a Textile Marking Machine, however, this machine has not been used in over three years. It is broken and the parts have never been received. They never used code O2B-6.

5. JUAN B. MARTINEZ, Manager, Princepado Modern Dry Cleaners, Santurce, Puerto Rico, advised he has a Textile Marking Machine, which was purchased about eight years ago; however, it has been broken over two years and not used. He advised he is familiar with all of the commercial laundries in Puerto Rico and the code O2B-6 is not one that is used in Puerto Rico.

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6. OSGOOD HARVEY, Manager, Band Box Laundry and Dry Cleaners, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, advised he has never used the code of O2B-6 and this code is not familiar to him.

7. WILFRIED VOGEL, Manager, La Croix Laundry, Fredericksted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands, advised that he has never used the code O2B-6.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-493)
 FROM: SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61) *[Signature]*
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Albany airtel to Bureau, 4/12/68.

Enclosed for Memphis are eight (8) copies of FD-302 and eight (8) copies of an investigative insert reflecting investigation in San Juan regarding the Laundry Marks on Tee-shirt and undershorts bearing Laundry Mark 02B-6.

Inasmuch as none of the companies contacted used the above code, no samples are being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory at this time.

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En Saint Louis, el FBI identificó al sospechoso de asesinar al doctor Martin Luther King como James Earl Ray (esta fotografía es del 1959) un prófugo de la prisión estatal de Misu. Ray aparece en esta fotografía poco después de ser arrestado por robo a mano armada. — Radiofoto de UPI.

James Earl Ray

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FBI Acusa a Prófugo Por Asesinar a King

(Below)

WASHINGTON, (UPI) — El FBI identificó ayer a Eric Starvo Galt, buscado con relación al asesinato del doctor Martin Luther King, como James Earl Ray, escapado de la penitenciaría estatal de Missouri.

El miércoles se emitió un orden de arresto contra un hombre identificado como Galt, con relación al asesinato de King el 4 de abril en Memphis, Tennessee.

El director del FBI, J. Edgar Hoover dijo que un estudio sistemático de las huellas digitales latentes descubiertas en el caso, comparándolas con las huellas de más de 53,000 personas condujo a determinar "que Galt y Ray son idénticos".

Hoover dijo que Ray, de 40 años, fue reportado desaparecido de la penitenciaría estatal de Missouri en Jefferson City el 23 de abril de 1967. Estaba cumpliendo una sentencia de 20 años por robo armado.

Bajo el nombre de Galt, Ray ha sido objeto de una búsqueda por todo el país que se extendió también hasta Méjico. Hoover explicó que el historial de arresto de Ray data del 1949. Antes de su acusación de 1960 en St. Louis, Ray fue convicto por robo en Los Angeles, en 1949, robo armado en Chicago en 1952, y por falsificación de giros postales en Missouri en 1955.

El FBI añadió que en septiembre de 1966, mientras cumplía su sentencia en la penitenciaría estatal de Missouri, Ray fue puesto por un tiempo en la celda de seguridad máxima en Fulton.

Cumplió sentencia también en la cárcel de condado de Los Angeles en 1949; las prisiones estatales en Joliet y Pontiac, Illinois, desde 1952 hasta 1954; y la penitenciaría federal en Leavenworth, Kansas, desde 1955 hasta 1958.

Se añadió que Ray sirvió en el Ejército desde febrero de 1946 hasta diciembre de 1948, cuando recibió un licenciamiento general por causa de inhabilidad y falta de adaptabilidad al servicio militar.

Durante su tiempo en el Ejército, Ray recibió una sentencia de tres meses con trabajos fuertes por estar borracho y romper un arresto.

Ray fue descrito como varón de la raza blanca, de aproximadamente 5 pies 10 pulgadas de estatura, entre 163 y 174 libras de peso, de ojos azules y pelo castaño. El FBI informó que tiene una pequeña cicatriz en el centro de su frente y una en la palma de su mano derecha.

El FBI informó que Ray alegó haber nacido el 10 de marzo de 1928 en Illinois; que asistió hasta el décimo grado escolar en Alton, Illinois.

Igualmente se reveló que tu- Al terminar el señor Camero dijo que saldrá mañana domingo hacia Estados Unidos en gestio- (Continúa en la Página 15)

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nes de su cargo.

vo la reputación de ser un "inestable" desde que abandonó la escuela. Su experiencia vocacional limitada a trabajar de peón y "apareador de colores".

Ray ha sido un fugitivo federal desde que el 29 de julio de 1967 se radicó una querrela del FBI en Jefferson City, Misuri, alegando fuga ilícita del estado para evadir la reclusión.

Indicó el FBI que "Ray debe ser considerado armado y en extremo peligroso".

La descripción de Ray varía en algunos aspectos de la ofrecida por el FBI el miércoles sobre Galt.

Se dice que Galt es un ávido bailarín, graduado el pasado 2 de marzo de una escuela de mozos y cantineros en Los Angeles. No se hizo referencia a esto en el boletín identificándolo como Ray.

Como Galt, Ray ha sido objeto de búsqueda en todo el territorio nacional y Méjico, acusado de confabulación y asesina-

to por la muerte del doctor Martin Luther King.

El dirigente de la campaña pacífica por los Derechos del Negro fue muerto de un tiro hecho desde un hotel próximo cuando se hallaba en el balcón de un "motel" de Memphis. A raíz de su muerte hubo motines y saqueos en más de un centenar de ciudades norteamericanas.

El FBI, en la orden de arresto dictada el miércoles, acusó a Galt y un "presunto hermano" de confabulación en la muerte del doctor Martin Luther King. Las autoridades de Memphis han dictado un mandamiento de arresto por asesinato contra Galt.

El FBI dio a publicidad dos fotografías, de frente y costado, de Ray, aparentemente tomadas en la prisión de Misuri, donde estuvo recluso desde 1960, año en que, según el anuncio se tomó la foto.

La fotografía ha sido identificada como correspondiente a James Earl Ray, también conocido como Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, James McBride, James Walton, W. C. Herron y James O'Conner.

John Willard fue el nombre utilizado por el hombre que se alojó en el hotel desde el cual se hizo el disparo que mató al doctor Martin Luther King.

Hoover explicó que Ray tiene antecedentes que datan de 1949, antes de ser enviado a prisión en 1960 en San Luis, Ray fue condenado por violación de domicilio en Los Angeles en 1949; asalto a mano armada en Chicago en 1950 y falsificación de giros postales en Misuri, en 1955.

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THE
"SAN JUAN STAR"
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FBI ISSUES NEW PHOTOS OF JAMES RAY: TOTAL NOW 5

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI issued today two more photographs of James Earl Ray, who is being sought in connection with the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,

An FBI spokesman said one of the latest photos is "considered to be the best possible likeness of Ray."

So far the FBI now has issued five photos of Ray.

The one the FBI considers the best was taken in late January or early February of this year somewhere in California. It shows Ray wearing a dark checked jacket, striped tie and button-down collar shirt. There is a curtain directly in back of him and a lamp nearby.

The FBI would not say where it obtained the picture, or where

precisely it was taken, or by whom.

The other new photo, which the FBI said was taken last November at an undisclosed location in Mexico, shows Ray wearing dark glasses and a light colored shirt open at the collar.

The California photo appears to have been taken without the use of flash, and with side lighting. The Mexico photo appears to have been made with the use of a flash camera.

The two new photos confirm what FBI descriptions say that his weight has been known to vary widely. The Mexican picture discloses a man with a thin face and pointed chin, much as he appeared in 1960 photos.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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San Juan, Puerto Rico

May 8, 1968

PRESS RELEASE

Clark D. Anderson, Special Agent in Charge of the San Juan Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), made available today two additional photographs of James Earl Ray, who is being sought in connection with the fatal shooting of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The FBI stated that photograph number 1 of James Earl Ray was taken in 1967 in Mexico. Photograph number 2 of Ray was taken in late January or early February, 1968, in California.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61)

FROM : *[Signature]* SA JOSEPH C. SPARKS

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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DATE: 5/6/68

On 5/2/68 ROBERT WILSON, Chief of Detectives, St. Thomas PD, advised that he had received word from Patrolman THOMAS, St. John, V.I., that Miss MALVERN SEWER, operator of Malvern's Guest House and Cruz Bay, St. John, had advised him that the man the FBI had been inquiring about two days earlier was now at her guest house.

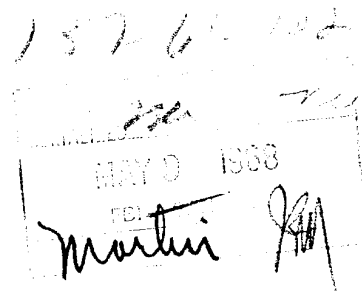
On the afternoon of 5/2/68, Patrolman V. SPRAUVE, St. John PD, advised that he had shown Miss SEWER photographs of the MURKIN subject and she advised that the individual at her guest house was positively not identical with RAY. SPRAUVE advised that Miss MALVERN was not available for interview that afternoon since she had departed for Coral Bay.

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Additional wanted flyers were furnished Capt. ~~YEARKINS~~ who assured that they would be prominently posted throughout the island of St. John.

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY, also known as - FUGITIVE
 Identification Order 4182; Wanted Flyer 442A
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- Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____.

Remarks:

Enclosed are five smooth finished copies of the photograph of James Earl Ray. The Memphis Division is the office of origin in this investigation. Memphis Office file number is 44-1987.

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Date:

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
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Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

DIRECTOR, FBI (44- 38861)

FROM: SAC, SAN JUAN (157-61) SENT VIA CODED TELETYPE

MURKIN

ON MAY NINE INSTANT MRS. EMILLIE R. SNIDER, DEPENDENT OF AIRFORCE SGT., RAMEY AFB, PUERTO RICO, PERSONALLY ADVISED SHE WAS ON VACATION ON ISLAND OF CURACAO ON APRIL TWENTY FIVE LAST AND WHILE HAVING LUNCH AT LIDO RESTAURANT, CURACAO, BETWEEN TWELVE NOON AND ONE P.M. SHE OBSERVED TWO MEN IN THE RESTAURANT, ONE WHO BORE STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO NEWSPAPER PHOTO OF JAMES EARL RAY. SHE STATED THIS PERSON SAT WITH HIS BACK TO THE WALL, AT THE SECOND TABLE TO THE RIGHT OF THE ENTRANCE DOORWAY INTO THE RESTAURANT SECTION OF THE LIDO.

MRS SNIDER STATED SHE OVERSHEARD PERSON ORDERING HIS MEAL AND HE HAD A VERY DEFINITE SOUTHERN ACCENT.

MRS. SNIDER NOTED SHE IS OF THE NEGRO RACE AND SHE FELT SHE MIGHT HAVE BEEN PREJUDICED IN THINKING THIS INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLED RAY, ;HOWEVER AFTER CAREFUL THOUGHT AND CONSIDERATION SHE FEELS THAT THIS PERSON COULD VERY WELL HAVE BEEN RAY.

MRS. SNIDER DESCRIBED THIS PERSON AS WEARING SLACKS OF UNKNOWN COLOR, RUMPLED WHITE SHIRT, ABOUT THIRTY SEVEN YEARS OF AGE, APPROXIMATELY SIX FEET TALL.

Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent 6:22 P M

Per [Signature]

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ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY TO ONEHUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE LBS., ^{VERY DRY} SANDY
COLORED HAIR, COMPLEXION WAS RUDDY AROUND THE
CHEEKS AND NOSE. THE ONLY DISTINGUISHING FEATURE OF PERSON
WAS A DEFINITE CLEFT IN CENTER OF CHIN. PERSON HAD A
FLESHIER FACE THAN THAT OF RAY SHE HAD OBSERVED IN
NEWSPAPER PHOTOS.

MRS. SNIDER ADVISED SHE HAD NOT SEEN PERSON DESCRIBED
PRIOR TO THE ABOVE ENCOUNTER AND DID NOT SEE AFTER THE
ENCOUNTER ON APRIL TWENTY FIVE LAST. SHE ADVISED SHE
COULD NOT FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO BUREAU FOR APPROPRIATE
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Date: May 7, 1968

Transmit the following in _____
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To: All SACs and LEGATs

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN
OO: MEMPHIS (44-1987)

The Bureau has designated Memphis as office of origin in this case.

You were previously advised that leads in this Top Ten Fugitive case must be handled within 24 hours. The Atlanta, Birmingham, Chicago, Houston, Jackson, Kansas City, Los Angeles, New Orleans, St. Louis, and Springfield Offices are to prepare the results of their investigation to date in report form, not as an insert. At such time as the amount of investigation in these field offices does not appear to warrant individual reports, advise the Bureau and office of origin that inserts being prepared in future in lieu of reports, UACB.

All other offices will record the results in appropriate form and transmit 15 copies of each to the office of origin for inclusion in reports submitted by the Memphis Office. Should investigation increase in any such area warranting submission of individual report, do so and advise the Bureau and Memphis.

LEGATs are to submit results of investigation which can be disseminated in letterhead memorandum form suitable for dissemination. Any administrative data which cannot be disseminated is to be set forth in the administrative section of your transmittal communication. Look-alikes and other leads resolved and reported by cablegram or other communication need not be rereported as copies of these communications are being forwarded office of origin by the Bureau for administrative handling of the case.

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JAMES EARL RAY

On 5/9/68 Mrs. EMILLIE R. SNIDER, Dependent wife to Air Force Sgt., Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico, *San Juan, Puerto Rico* residence, 313 B-7th Street, in person advised that on 4/25/68, she was at the Island of Curacao on a vacation tour. Sometime between 12 noon and 1:00 PM, 4/25/68, she was eating lunch in the Lido Restaurant, Curacao, and observed two men in the restaurant, one of whom she says strikingly resembles newspaper photo of JAMES EARL RAY.

She said this individual who resembled subject was seated, with his back to the wall, at the second table on the right from the entrance into the restaurant section of the Lido.

~~Mr.~~ SNIDER said that because she of the Negro race she contemplated in her mind for the past several days that she might have been prejudiced in thinking this individual resembled RAY or that he actually did. She is of the opinion after making honest memory study, that unknown person in the restaurant could very well have been the subject.

Unknown person was overheard to order something to eat, the last part of his order consisting of "rice and iced tea". Unknown person has a very definite Southern accent.

This person was wearing slacks, color unknown, and a rumpled white shirt. He appeared to be about 37 years of age, approximately 6 feet, 180 - 185 pounds, sandy colored hair, very dry, complexion ruddy around the cheeks and nose. The only distinguishing feature of unknown person was a definite cleft in center of chin such as appears in the pictures of subject. Unknown person appeared to have a somewhat fleshier face than that of photo of subject she has observed.

She advised she had not seen this individual prior to this encounter nor since. Mrs. SNIDER stated she could furnish no further detailed info concerning unknown person and as far as she knows this person did not alert the attention of anyone she knows.

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Date: **May 9, 1968**Transmit the following in _____
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✓ To: SAC, San Juan
 ✓ From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re San Juan routing slip dated 5/3/68.

Your routing slip requests that the news mat regarding publicity to be afforded subject be done in Spanish language for dissemination to newspapers in Puerto Rico.

The cost of producing such a mat at the Bureau would be prohibitive. You may desire to have a plate done locally for publication in the newspaper. The cost of such an item should not exceed \$20, and you should utilize the photographs of subject as enclosed.

Armed and dangerous.

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1 - SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

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Vesper Lynd
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Sergeant Lobiniere
Mister Grunspan
Willy Behrens
George Feyer
Michael Tree, wa,
Shady Tree
Seraffimo Spang
W. Winter
Mike Hammer
Rocky

Felix Leiter
Pickapepper
Mauve Decade
Bill Winfrey
Kid Tatters
Lame-Brain Pissaro
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Mr. Weiss
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Boofy Kidd
Ernie Cuneo
Jack Entratter
Bobby Bilbo
Mr. Lucian
Frasso
McGonigle
Captain Hook
B. Kitteridge
Mr. Rothblatt
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Ian Fleming

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John Blaize
Williamson
Prospector Katze
du Raan
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Andries Coetzze
Alexander Foote
Desmond
Percy Sillitoe
Ernest Oppenheimer
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Claasens
Bill Syer
Fuchs
LeBeers

THE DIAMOND SMUGGLERS

Van Blommestein & Birt

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Piet Willers

T. S. Patterson

Blake

Davis

de Graaf

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Captain van der Westhuisen

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Henry Orford

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Finkle

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Francis Gballeit

Arthur Sherman

Belcher

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Kutze

Groffelaar

Patrick Sullivan

Leiser Weitman

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Sillitoe

Henry Brasseur

Kheir

Mr. Capper

Robert Johnson

Ernest Oppenheimer

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Philip Schreiber

Amschel Benny Engel

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Alio Giwa

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Harras

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M

Bill Templar

Stoker Smith

James Molony

Dr. Peter Steincrohn

Major Boothroyd

Quarrel

Hugh Foot

Mr. Pleydell-Smith

Ben Gibbons

Josiah Smith

John Bryce

Waygood Otis

Julius No

Lenny

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Rattray

Bates

Proctor

Pyramus

Thisbe

Havelock

Jimmy Farquharson

Aschenheim

Fayprince

Henriques

Feddens

Major Gonzales

von Hammerstein

Colonel Johns

Haversack

Burns Martin

Monty

Ethan Allen

Robin Hood

Harvey Millers

Godalming

Cheltenham

Tunbridge Wells

Governor

Philip Masters

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Whitehall

Albergo Colomba D'oro

Signor Kristatos

Ronnie Vallance

Santos

Enrico Colombo

Van Cleef

Mr. Toad

Albergo Daniell

Milton Krest

Mr. Abedana

Professor Hildebrand

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Donovan Grant

"Red" Grant

Krassno Granitsky

"Granit"

Dr. Baumgarten

Colonel Arkday Fotoyev

Lt. Col. Nikolai Godlovsky

General Ivan Aleksandrovitch Serov

Colonel General Grubozaboyschikov

Lt. General Slavin

Lt. General Vozdvishensky

Tokaev

Khoklov

Petrov

Rene Mathis

Drax

Colonel Klebb

Kronsteen

Makharov

Fouche

Professor Deniken

Darko Kerim

Lermontov

Swaine

Adeney

Wilkinson

Kerim Bey

Cecil Beaton

FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE

Croesus
David Somerset
Bianco
Major Dansey
Gyllius
Vavra
Krilencu
Zora
Vida
Boris Kerim
Melchior Benz
Kurt Goldfarb
Stefan Trempo
"Tempo"
Captain Norman Nash
Wilbur Frank
Comtesse Metterstein
Rosa Malheur

GOLDFINGER

Blackwell
Schwab
Santos
Johnny Crawford
Auric Goldfinger
Mr. Armour
Jill Masterton
Colonel Smithers
Sassoon
Ellerman
Lord Cowdray
Rothschilds, Barings,
Hambros
Williamson
Oppenheimer
Boris Anrep
Hopton Wood
Alfred Blacking
Farquharson
Hawker
Lord Lonsdale

Homer
Philip Scrutton
Foulks
Hagen
Bernard Darwin
Mr. Scotland
Le Touquet
Tilly Masterton
Dr. Foch
Mr. Gold
Helmut M. Springer
Jed Midnight
Billy (The Grinner) Ring
Jack Strap
Mr. Solo
Jim Colossimo
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Giulio
Bloody Morgan
Cortez

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Weathership Charlie
Dutch Schuyts
Napoleon, Hitler

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Arthur Fein
Buonaparte Ignace Gallia
Tee-Hee Johnson
Leigh Fermor
Samuel D. Baldwin
Mr. Halloran
Captain Dexter
Zachary Smith
Baron Samedi
Sam Miami
G-G Sumatra
Flannel
Mr. Bryce
Quarrel

THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN

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Captain Walker
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Mr. Robson

Sir James Molony
Bill Tanner
Ramon "The Rod" Rodriguez
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Beau Desert
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Mark Hazard
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Mr. Hendriks
Sam Binion
Leroy Gengerella
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King Tiger

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Mr. Scramble

Mr. Arosio

Rastafari

Macdonald

Bannister

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Lister Smith

Justice Morris Cargill

Demitz

Luderman

MOONRAKER

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Jack Hobbs

Gordon Richards

Basildon (Basil)

Tranby Croft

Steffi Esposito

Meyer

Gibbon

Longchamp

Brevett

Canfield

Dangerfield

Max

Porterfield

Grimley

General Bealey

Duff Sutherland

Morphy

Ronnie Vallance

Tallon

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Willy Krebs

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Galatea

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Drache

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Group Captain Tandy

Peter Trimble

Detective-Inspector
Vivian

ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE

Phillippe Bertrand

Boudin

Monet

Ernst Stavro Blofeld

Croupier

Rossi

Andre Mattei

Peckham

Laurence Sterne

Johnson

Goldsmith

Dean Swift

Lord Nelson

Sable Basilish Pursuivant

Gebriider Gumpold-Moosbrugger

Tissot

Tracy

Blauenfelder

Monsieur Maurice

Monsieur Pol

Changeur

Marc - Ange Draco

Jean Gindicelli

Griffon Or

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Nell Gweynn

Boswell

Reynolds

Garrick

Canning

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G. W. Marshall

Sir James Malony

Achmed

Jenny Bray

Mary potts

O'Neill

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Captain Boris

Alphonse de Bleuville

D'dsigneys

Professor Auguste Kommer

Conte de Bleuville

ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE

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Ivan

Bertil Yugo

Sir George Dunbar

George Albert Windsor

Ernst George Blofeld

Shaun Campbell

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Pat Smythe

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Muir

Summerhayes

Mr. Leathers

Marius

Che-Che

Ernst Stefan Blofeld

Mr. Franklin

Sir Ronald Vallance

Mr. Trumper

Toussaint

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Mr. Sanguinetti

Jed Phancey

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Hoppy Jones

Bill Kenny

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Harling

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Bill Donaldson

Kurt Rainer

Trude

Herr Doktor Braunschweig

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Elliott Frey

Millicent

Sluggsy Morant

Sol (Horror) Horowitz

Horst Uhlmann

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O'Donnell

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Kneipp
Preissnitz
Rikli
Schroth
Gossman
Bilz
Joshua Wain
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Jules
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Kotze
Leopoldo Rodriques
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Pitman
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Roddick
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Bryce
Harold Christie
Sergeant Molony
Mr. Snow
Mr. Player
Constable Santos
Emil Traut
Brigadier Fairchild
Peter Pedersen
Admiral Carlson
Strelik
Petty Officer Fallon
Dr. Stengel
Tiger Tanaka
Trembling Leaf
Grey Pearl
Dikko Henderson
Admiral Ohnishi
Porterfield
Sir James Molony
Ernst Stavro Blofeld
Richard Lovelace
Henderson
Tracy
Colonel Hamilton
Prenderghast
Bill Tanner
Jim Saunderson
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Superintendent Ando
Taro Todoroki
Kono
Kazama
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Kadoorie

Richard Mason

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Alan Searle

Mr. Fratinelli

Captain James Hamilton

Virgil Peterson

Professor Philip Fox

Colonel Edward Bradley

Ben Goffstein

Ray Russell

Charles Beaumont

Ray Brennan

Joey Glimco

Francis "The Immune" Maritote

Charles "Cherry Nose" Gioe

Richard Hauff

Cosmo Orlando

Carlo "Bananas" Urbaniti

Ripa

Joseph Broge

Gene Gleason

Dan Jacobson

David Barlow

Felix Leiter

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Knoeller

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Colonel Podharsky

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Marchesis

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In connection with the captioned case there has been speculation that James Earl Ray concocted the alias of Eric Starvo Galt by combining the names of characters from books by Ian Fleming and from a book "Atlas Shrugged" by Ayn Rand. This speculation is based on the fact that in the James Bond books by Ian Fleming there is a character named Ernst Stavro Blofield and in "Atlas Shrugged" there is a character named John Galt, as well as one named Eric Starnes. Ernst Stavro Blofield is a formidable person, John Galt is a "social drop out" and Eric Starnes is described in the book as a "whiner" from a low-class family.

In view of the above and in order that Agents handling this investigation can be alert to the possibility of Ray's utilizing an alias based on characters in Fleming's books, there is set out as an attachment to this airtel a list of various characters in those books for your assistance.

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FBI Admite Posibilidad Acusado Asesinato King Huyó Australia

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — Un funcionario de la Embajada de Australia informó ayer que el FBI le pidió al gobierno australiano que realizara una "investigación de rutina" para ver si James Earl Ray, a quien se busca por el asesinato del doctor Martin Luther King, solicitó una visa para viajar a ese país.

El funcionario enfatizó, sin embargo, que "las autoridades australianas no tiene evidencia de que la persona interesada (Ray) esté en Australia."

Las fuentes estadounidenses también subrayaron la naturaleza rutinaria del pedido. Estos dijeron que sería lógico asumir que pedidos similares tiene o deben de ser hechos a otras naciones en las cuales Ray podría buscar refugio. El FBI no comentó sobre las declaraciones del funcionario de la Embajada.

Ray, también conocido por el alias de Eric Starvo Galt, ha sido objeto de una búsqueda incansante desde que el doctor King fue muerto mientras estaba parado en el balcón de un hotel en Memphis, Tennesí.

Ray, quien ha sido acusado de asesinato por las autoridades de Memphis, fue añadido a la lista de los más buscados por el FBI después de una investigación de más de 53,000 hue-



Ray Galt

llas digitales que dieron a conocer que las huellas encontradas en el baño de una casa de hospedajes eran idénticas a las del hombre buscado. Este también encara una acusación federal por conspiración.

Ray se escapó de una penitenciaría estatal en Missouri en abril del 1967, mientras cumplía una sentencia de 20 años por robo armado y robo de autos.

El funcionario de la Embajada de Australia dijo:

"A pedido del FBI, las autoridades australianas están realizando una investigación de rutina para ver si ha habido una solicitud de visa para Australia por la persona acusada del asesinato del doctor Martin Luther King, hijo."

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