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Mr. H. J. NEWMAN, 5387 Rosser Road, Stone Mountain, Georgia, rented box Number 435 on April 4, 1968 and paid cash for the rental. A check of the central files of the bank revealed one H. J. NEWMAN, SR., Douglasville, Georgia, who had a loan at the main office of the Citizens and Southern National Bank in the past. There was no way to identify this NEWMAN with the above individual who rented a safety deposit box.

Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS H. HARRIS, 1368 Northview Avenue, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, rented box Number 384 on April 4, 1968. A check of the records of the bank revealed that these individuals are old customers of the bank and have had a checking account at the bank since 1948.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM:

SA ROGER L. KAAS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

The following information was volunteered by Mr. DON ME KEE, Associated Press:

MC KEE advised he has been conducting interviews in the Capitol Homes Housing Project where the white Mustang was located. Directly across from the apartment occupied by Mrs. BRIDGES, he interviewed a Mrs. BRENDA CROOK. He does not have the apartment number. CHOOK stated she had no information, but felt MC KEE should talk to her ght friend, Mrs. FLOYD EUGENE MEDIEY (possibly MEDLIN), whom CROOK stated was visiting her apartment 4/4 and 4/5/68.

At this point, CROOK telephonically contacted MEDLEY, who is alleged to live in the Dixie Homes or Dixie Housing Project, Jonesboro, Ga., and having an unlisted telephone number.

MC KEE stated MEDLEY told him she was sitting on the front porch of the CROOK apartment with the CROOK's eight-year-old daughter approximately 6:30 P.M., 4/5/68, when a white Mustang entered the area driving slowly as if looking for someone and drove slowly by her. Due to the slow speed of the vehicle and the occupant's obvious interest in his surroundings, she took note of it and stated it had an Alabama license plate. She described the driver as a white male, wearing a white banlon-type shirt.

MC KEE stated that as he attempted to question MEDLEY further to determine whether she had also noticed a white Mustang parked in the area at that time and to satisfy himself she was correct as to the dates, a male voice in the background identified by Mrs. CROOK as MEDLEY's husband, shouted to MEDLEY that she didn't "know a damn thing," was not to talk to anyone and to get off the phone.

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LEAD

Identify MEDLEY and interview regarding the foregoing in connection with captioned matter.

Memorandum

TO :

SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM:

IC JAMES L. MARTIN (P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

RE: UNSUB LOOK-ALIKE

Re memo of SA JAMES J. ROSE, 4/19/68.

On 4/22/68, Miss BARBARANN WAGER, Title Section, MVB, advised that her records reflected that 1968 Ga. Tag # 41 J 1855 was issued to ALVIS WRIGHT, Menlo, Ga., for use on a 1960 Chevrolet 4-door Impala, VIN 01839F127234.

On 4/23/68, Mrs. THELMA TURNER, Driver's License Division, GSP, advised that her records indicated Ga. Veteran's License was issued on 1/25/63 to ALVIS KELLY WRIGHT, Menlo, Ga. WRIGHT was described as W/M DOB 61, 220 lbs., blue eyes, & sandy hair.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535 April 20, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY

James Earl Ray, a Missouri prison escapee who has been sought under the alias Eric Starvo Galt in connection with the gunshot slaving of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is one of the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives."

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered the special addition of Ray to the "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives" list, which already contains ten fugitives, to insure the widest possible dissemination of Ray's photograph and description to help effect his prompt location. Ray has been the subject of a massive search since the gunshot slaying of Dr. King on April 4, 1968, as he stood on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel.

An exhaustive FBI fingerprint search, comparing latent fingerprints uncovered in the Dr. King case against fingerprints of over 53,000 persons on whom FBI wanted notices have been posted determined that Galt and Ray are identical.

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Possessing an arrest record dating back to 1949, Ray has been convicted of burglary, armed robbery and forging United States Postal Money Orders.

A 40-year-old white male, reportedly born in Illinois on Ray is approximately 5'10" tall, weighs from 163 to 174 pounds, has blue eyes and short brown hair. He has a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe and his left ear protrudes noticeably.

Described as a "loner and "drifter," with a "rural" quality in his speech, Ray has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher. He has taken dancing lessons and completed a course at a school of bartending.

44-2386 -1237 Consider Ray armed and extremely dangerous. Report any information concerning him to the nearest FBI office.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 20, 1968

JAMES EARL RAY, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, James McBride, James Walton, W. C. Herron and James O'Conner

FUGITIVE

CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY; INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ARMED ROBBERY

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Ray, who has an arrest record dating back to 1949 and has been convicted of burglary, armed robbery and forging United States Postal Money Orders, has also been confined in the Los Angeles County Jail, the Joliet and Pontiac, Illinois, State Prisons and the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

He served in the Army between February, 1946, and December, 1948, received a three-month sentence at hard labor for being drunk and breaking arrest and was given a General Discharge due to ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service.

Ray is a 40-year-old white male, reportedly born in Illinois on He is approximately 5'10" inches tall, weighs from 163 to 174 pounds, has blue eyes and brown hair which he has worn cut short. He has a small scar on the center of his forehead and a scar on the palm of his right hand. He has been described as having a straight, narrow nose and straight and even teeth and to have a nervous habit of occasionally tugging at an ear lobe. His left ear protrudes noticeably.

Acquaintances describe him as a 'loner' and 'drifter' whose language and diction reflect a 'rural' quality and indicate he has had limited education.

He is reportedly a fan of western and country music, drinks vodka and beer, dresses neatly and claims past employment as a merchant seaman and cook on Mississippi River vessels. He is known to have worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

He is known as an avid dancer who has taken dancing lessons. He also completed a course at a school of bartending in the Los Angeles area early in 1968.

Ray should be considered armed and extremely dangerous.

Anyone with information concerning this fugitive is requested to immediately contact the nearest office of the FBI, the telephone number of which may be found on the first page of local telephone directories.

GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

: All Investigative Employees

DATE: April 22, 1968

: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE

I.O. #4182; W. F. #442-A CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM

RELEASE DATE: SATURDAY P.M., APRIL 20, 1968

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THE CRIMINAL: A 40-year-old white native of Illinois, who is known as a "loner" and "drifter" and has taken elaborate steps to establish a false identity. Ray has an extensive criminal record, including convictions for burglary, robbery and forging U.S. Postal Money Orders. Outstanding characteristics include a straight narrow nose, straight and even teeth, a noticeably protruding left ear and a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe. He has taken dancing lessons, attended bartending school, enrolled in a correspondence course in locksmithing and traveled widely in a 1966 Mustang recovered in Atlanta, Georgia, a week after Dr. King's murder. Ray likes western and country music, drinks vodka and beer and has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

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	James Earl Ray	I.O. #4182 46-23	86 -12 37

THEY ARE ALL ARMED AND DANGEROUS. If you receive any information, give it at once to your SAC or appropriate supervisor.

PHOTOGRAPHS, FINGERPRINTS AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF ALL FUGITIVES ON THE LIST ARE ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

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Memorandum

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM:

SA DONALD P. BURGESS

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

The following persons in Covington, Ga., were contacted on 4/23/68, by SA DONALD P. BURGESS and exhibited a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY. They could furnish no information of value:

THOMAS HOLLIS - Tadpole Motors;

HARRY COWAN - Churchill Motors;

C. E. TRAINER - Trainer Used Cars;

C. L. VAUGHN - Vaughn Enterprises

JACK HARRELSON - S & H Motors

B. H. SKINNER - Skinner Motors

RED PULLIN - Walker Harris Autos

TOM DIAL - Covington Auto Service

JAMES DANIELS - Ginn Motors

LEWIS FLOWERS - McGuire Motors

BILL STEPHENS - Covington Sports Car Co.

J. B. GHEESLING, Station Agent, Georgia Railroad

Depot;

- Atlanta

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HELEN HALL - Station Manager, Southeastern Stage Bus Depot;

JOHN A. WILSON - Covington Taxi Service:

Covington PD and Newton County SO, Covington:

INEZ NORTON - Newton County Credit Bureau.

There are no airlines or car rental agencies in Covington, Georgia.

The following were contacted at Conyers, Georgia, on 4/23/68, by SA DONALD P. BURGESS. They were exhibited a photo of JAMES EARL RAY and could furnish no info of value:

RUFUS COWAN - Brooks Used Cars;

Mrs. BOBBY BROOKS - Bobby Brooks Chevrolet;

ELMER CHEELY - Cheely Motors;

W. V. WHALEY - Whaley-Daly Ford Co.;

A. J. SAUGSTER - Ticket Agent, Ga. RR Station;

JACKIE CAMP - Ticket Agent, Southeastern Stage Lines;

Conyers PD and Rockdale Co. SO, Conyers;

RUBY GRANT - Rockdale Co. Credit Bureau;

BILL SKELTON - Conyers Cab. Co.

BILL JAMES - Conyers Cab Co.

ALLEN WOOD - self-employed cab driver.

There are no airlines or car rental agencies in Conyers, Georgia.

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4:04 PM URGENT 4-25-68 MMW

TO DIRECTOR AND ATLANTA

FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673 2PGS

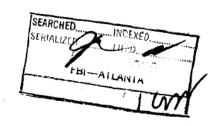
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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE APRIL TWENTYTWO, SIXTYEIGHT, RE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY RAYMOND LOUIS CURTIS.

POLICE AND INFORMANT SOURCES UNABLE TO IDENTIFY FENCE
NAMED COIN (PH) IN NEW ORLEANS AREA. SOURCES BELIEVE COIN
POSSIBLY IS DANIEL BERNARD COHEN, AKA DAN, AGE SIXTY, SIX FEET,
TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, BROKEN NOSE. COHEN HAS NO CRIMINAL RECORD
BUT FOR YEARS HAS ASSOCIATED WITH CRIMINAL ELEMENT, PARTICULARLY
BURGLARS. POLICE SOURCE SAID COHEN WAS FENCE IN FIFTIES, STATED
COHEN WAS ONCE QUIET WEALTHY. BUT LOST ALL MONEY.

COHEN INTERVIEWED APRIL TWENTYFIVE, SIXTYEIGHT, DOES
NOT RECALL RAY, BUT STATES SOMETHIN VAGUELY FAMILIAR ABOUT
RAY IN THAT RAY'S FACIAL FEATURES RESEMBLE MANY INDIVIDUALS.
COHEN SAID PRIOR TO FIFTYSIX COHEN HIRED MANY EX-CONS IN

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NO 157-10673

OPERATION OF CRESCENT CIGARETTE COMPANY, VENDING MACHINE COMPANY.

COHEN STATES RECALLS NO ONE IN AREA WHO ASSOCIATED WITH

CRIMINAL ELEMENT WITH NAME SIMILAR TO COHEN'S NAME.

COHEN ADVISED REMAINS CLOSE FRIENDS WITH CHARLES ADAM SMITH

(FBI-NUMBER ONE THREE ONE EIGHT SIX FIVE), WHOM COHEN WILL

LOCATE FOR INTERVIEW BY FBI.

SMITH WAS INCARCERATED IN US PENITENTIARY, FT. LEAVENWORTH, KS., FOUR TIMES: THIRTYFIVE; FORTYTHREE FOR TWO YEARS; FORTYSEVEN FOR FOUR YEARS, LAST RECEIVING YOUR YEAR SENTENCE APRIL TWO, SIXTYTWO, AT TOPEKA, KS., IN USDC.

JAKE LACAZE, INMATE ORLEANS PARISH PRISON, HOLD-UP MAN AND SAFE BURGLAR, ADVISED LACAZE WAS ASSOCIATED WITH COHEN IN FIFTIES, BUT RAY IS UNKNOWN. STATED COHEN WOULD HELP ANYONE, CRIMINAL OR NOT, EXCEPT WHEN BEING SOUGHT BY LAW. LACAZE SAID HE HAS OPERATED IN SOUTHERN LOUSIANA AND MISSISSIPPI AND NAME COIN UNKNOWN AS ASSOCIATES OF CRIMINALS OR FENCE.

BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY AND MEMPHIS ADVISED AIRMAIL.
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FBI ATLANTA

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4:06 PM URGENT 4-25-68 PMS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) ATTN: IDENT. DIV.

MEMPHIS (44-1987), ATLANTA, PITTSBURGH, SAN FRANCISCO FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) (P)

MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR.

PITTSBURGH SUBMITTED LHM DATED SEPT. SEVEN, SIXTYSIX
CONCERNING DONALD STOUT, WM, FIVE SEVEN OR EIGHT, TWO HUNDRED TEN
POUNDS. DARK HAIR WITH WAVE IN FRONT.

HARRY P. STEWERT, US. SECRET SERVICE REPORTED HIS

NEPHEW, STEWART LINDH, TWO TWO ZERO SIX, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,

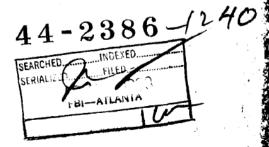
CLAIMED HE AND TWO OTHERS THROUGH NEWSPAPER AD OBTAINED RIDE

WITH STOUT. AT KANSAS CITY, MO., STOUT DISAPPEARED WITH THEIR

EFFECTS. BEFORE STOUT DISAPPEARED HE TOLD THEM HE WAS GOING TO

SHOOT KING.

RECORDS FBI, CHICAGO, REFLECT SIMILAR MODUS OPERANDI
BY DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT, AKA LAWRENCE DONALD STOUT, FBI NO.
FOUR NINE FIVE NINE THREE EIGHT ZERO, WM, BORN
END PAGE ONE



PAGE TWO

WORKED AS MERCHANT SEAMAN.

BUREAU SUTEL RECENT ARREST RECORD DONALD LAWRENCE

STOUT AND LOCATION LATEST POLICE PHOTOGRAPH IN ORDER PHOTO MAY

BE OBTAINED AND SHOWN TO STEWART LINDH. FURNISH CG. PG.SF.

PITTSBURGH DETERMINE LOCATION HARRY P. STEWART
FOR ANY ADDITIONAL DATA HE RECEIVED AND PRESENT LOCATION HIS
NEPHEW, STEWART LINDH.

SAN FRANCISCO LOCATE STEWART LINDH FOR ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND SHOW HIM PHOTO DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE IS DONALD STOUT WITH WHOM HE RODE TO KCMO.

CHICAGO CONTINUING INVESTIGATION DESIGNED TO

DETERMINE IDENTITY DONALD STOUT FOR ULTIMATE PURPOSE OF

LEARNING WHETHER HE COULD BE CONSPIRATOR MURKIN.

ALL OFFICES HANDLE IMMEDIATELY AND SUTEL LEADS.

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FBI ATLANTA

FBI CHICAGO

658PM URGENT 4-25-68 RMF

TO DIRECTOR /44-38861/ATLANTA /44-2386/ MEMPHIS /44-1987/ ST. LOUIS /44-775/ SPRINGFIELD /44-561/ FROM CHICAGO /44-1114/

MURKIN

SUMMARY CHICAGO DIVISION

BROTHER JERRY RAY BEING CONTACTED DAILY BASIS. ADVISED THIS DATE HE HAD LIED PREVIOUSLY AS TO DEATH OF FATHER. NOW STATES THAT JERRY RAYNES, CENTER, MISSOURI, IS THE FATHER OF ALL CHILDREN BORN TO JERRY AND LUCILLE RAYNES. FATHER VARIOUSLY USED NAMES RYAN, RAY AND RAYNES, HAVING USED RAYNES FOR THE LAST FOURTEEN YEARS. JERRY STATES FATHER BORN UNDER NAME OF RAY. JERRY HAS NO INFO RE PHOTOGRAPHY INTEREST ON PART OF SUBJECT NOR EVER HEARD HIM DESIRE TO PHOTOGRAPH NUDE FEMALES. NO INFO AS TO ANY ASSOCIATES IN AREAS SUBJECT KNOWN TO BE AFTER ESCAPE. VARIOUS NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS DEVELOPED AS FRIENDS OF SUBJECT WHILE IN PRISON DISCUSSED WITH JERRY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ONLY PRISONMATES HE KNEW WERE WALTER AND LONNIE RIFE AND RALPH DAVIS. DECEASED. JERRY WAS AWARE THAT JOSEPH "BLACKLE" AUSTIN WAS ARRESTED WITH SUBJECT AND AUSTIN WAS KNOWN I JERRY WHEN BOTH WERE IN MENARD, ISP. PRESENT

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Farl Fuoss, IRS
Regional Drop, IRS
Checking SSN Thum
Waterial Computer

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WHEREABOUTS AUSTIN UNKNOWN BUT POSSIBLY IN ST. LOUIS OR CHICAGO. DOUBTS ANY CLOSE CONTACT BETWEEN AUSTIN AND SUBJECT NOW.

THIS DATE. ADVISED THEY HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY LIFE MAGAZINE TO FURNISH INFORMATION ON JAMES RAY AND WERE SEVERELY PRESSED TO PRODUCE PHOTOGRAPH ALBUM ALLEGEDLY IN SUSAN'S POSSESSION CONTAINING FAMILY AND SERVICE PHOTOS OF SUBJECT. BOTH REFUSED TO COOPERATE WITH LIFE AND SUSAN ADVISED THAT SHE DOES NOT HAVE NOW AND HAS NEVER HAD ANY PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SUBJECT.

SUBJECT'S EMPLOYMENTS CHICAGO, NINETEEN FIFTY TO
FIFTY TWO REVIEWED WITH MEAGER BACKGROUND INFORMATION
BEING OBTAINED SINCE ORIGINAL APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN
DESTROYED. RESIDENCE ADDRESSES FROM EMPLOYMENTS OBTAINED TODAY
BEING CHECKED OUT FOR ANY POSSIBLE LEADS. SUBJECT

IN TWO EMPLOYMENTS.

PAGE THREE

VA REGIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO, CONTACTED DEVELOPED SUBJECT'S CLAIM FILE INACTIVE SINCE MARCH, NINETEEN FIFTY FIVE, FORWARDED TO ST. LOUIS. EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION FOLDERS DESTROYED ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO.

SEPARATE TELETYPE LADS SENT VARIOUS OFFICES

FOR INVESTIGATION OF ALL THREATS AGAINST KING KNOWN TO THE CHICAGO DIVISION.

NUMEROUS LEADS BEING OBTAINED DUE TO OUTSTANDING
NEWS MEDIA COVERAGE BEING AFFORDED THIS CASE AND ARE
BEING VIGOROUSLY PURSUED. ON CONTINUING BASIS.

APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT ALL
"HIPPIE" ROOMING HOUSES AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS
IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION WHATSOEVER CONCERNING
RAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI ATLANTA

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1002 EDITION
GSA FFMR (41 CFR) 101-11.8

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA

(44-2386)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA RICHARD E. FUGATT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Miami tel to Bureau, 4/24/68, Serial 1152.

Referenced serial sets out in part, that Flight 955, EAL, listed an O. GONZALEZ and an L. MALDONADO, no addresses, as having obtained reservations through Atlanta Agent 16P; and that a Mrs. P. WHISBY, no address, obtained reservation from Atlanta Agent 16J.

On 4/25/68, Mrs. ANN REED, EAL Reservations, 522 Peachtree, advised that a check with her Chicago office, as well as her Atlanta office, failed to indicate any reference to a reservation by any of the above listed names. Mrs. REED further advised that Atlanta had no reservations Agents with the numbers 16P or 16J.

On the same date, Captain S.W. JAYNES, Editorial Staff, Salvation Army, Southern Regional Office, 675 Seminole Street, advised that he and his wife had departed Atlanta, Ga., on EAL, at approximately 9:30AM, 4/5/68, bound for Toronto, Canada. He stated that the flight was about half full out of Atlanta, but after leaving Buffale, N.Y., the flight was quite full. He stated that neither he nor his wife recall anyone on the flight resembling the photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, aka GALT.

On the same date, CHARLES C. BOVEE, Ph.D, Director of Counseling, Presbyterian Guidance Clinic, Agnes Scott College, advised he had been a passenger on EAL Flight 320, on 4/5/68 bound for Toronto, Canada. He stated that he recalls the flight was quite full out of Atlanta and that he sat next to an Academic Dean from the Florida Institute of Technology. He stated that as a counselor, he was trained to observe and felt quite certain that there was no one on the flight resembling JAMES EARL RAY, aka GALT.

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FBI — ATLANTA

2-Atlanta REF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

${\it Memorandum}$

το : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

DATE: 4-25-68

FROM : SA WILLIAM K. PATTON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo SUPV. CHARLES S. HARDING, 4-22-68

CARTERSVILLE, GEORGIA, 4-24-68

Informants contacted with negative results: PCI EARL ROSS, Cue Club
PCI BILL TERRY, Terry's Auto Parts

Other agencies contacted with negative results:

Police Agencies: LELAND T. MC ENTIRE, COP, PD and staff, also records. JAMES T. WHEELER, Sheriff, Bartow Co., SO and Staff GBI Agent RALPH D. RUFF Set. C. J. LOWERY, GSP Barracks

Credit Bureau: CLYDE EDWARDS, Manager, Staff and records

New and Used Car Dealers: Cowan Chrysler-Plymouth Dealership, Owner TOM COWAN, Sales Manager of New and Used Cars RUFUS BROCK.

City Motors Mercury Dealership, Owner ERNEST COCHRAN, Sales Manager of New and Used Cars PAUL BARNETTE

Jones-Howell Pontiac Dealership, Owner MITCHELL JONES and Staff

WERLICK-Jones Chevrolet Co., Owner H. B. WARLICK and Staff

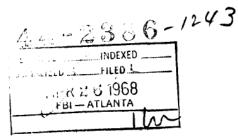
TEnnessee St. Used Cars, Owner MILLARD SMITH

VIRGIL GILLEY Used Cars, Seles anager J. R. SIGMON

Shinall Used Cars, Owner H. R. SHINALL

Hudson Used Cars, CHARLES E. HUDSON

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FBI ATLANTA

FBI-HOUSTON

440PM URGENT 4-25-68 JLN

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS, NEW ORLEANS, LOS ANGELES.
FROM HOUSTON (44-1509)

MURKIN.

RE LOUIS LOMAX - CHARLES STEAN.

RE LOS ANGELES TEL APRIL TWENTYFOUR.

ENTIRE AREA DESCRIBED BY STEIN WHERE TELEPHONE CALL
ALLEGEDLY MADE BY SUBJECT SEARCHED BY FBI AGENTS TODAY AND NINE
TELEPHONE BOOTHS SITUATED SIMILAR TO THE DESCRIPTION WERE CHECKED
THROUGH SOURCE AT TELEPHONE COMPANY, AND NO CALLS WERE RECORDED
FOR DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST.

GARY DELAUN, NEWS DIRECTOR, HOUSTON RADIO STATION KNUZ, A
PERSONAL FRIEND OF THE SAC, CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED TODAY THAT HUGH
AINSWORTH OF NEWSWEEK HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY LOUIS LOMAX AND
CHARLES STEIN, AND BEEN TOLD THAT THEY ARE ARRIVING HOUSTON
SOMETIME THIS PM AND WILL ATTEMPT TO RETRACE STEPS OF STEIN AND
SUBJECT AND LOCATE PHONE BOOTH WHERE CALL ALLEGEDLY MADE.
DELAUN ADVISED THAT HE HAS BEEN ASKED TO ACCOMPANY ABOVE AND WILL
KEEP THE FBI ADVISED OF ANY SUCCESS ACHIEVED BY LOMAX AND STEIN.

END PG. ONE



PG TWO

DELAUN FURNISHED THE ABOVE ON A STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL BASIS AND
HE WAS ASSURED THAT HIS IDENTITY WOULD BE MAINTAINED IN CONFIDENCE.

ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE THROUGH TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR FBI
TO BE ALERTED FOR ANY REQUEST FOR IDENTITY OF LONG DISTANT
TELEPHONE CALLS DURING PERIOD DEC. SIXTEEN LAST.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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FBI ATLANTA

HOLD FOR 2 TELETYPES

FBI CHICAGO

531PM URGENT 4-25-68 RMF

TO DIRECTOR /44-38861/ AND ATLANTA /44-2386/ MEMPHIS /44-1987/
AND RICHMOND

FROM CHICAGO /44-1114/

MURKIN OO: MEMPHIS

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING.

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL AND LHM DATED APRIL TWELVE, SIXTY EIGHT CAPTIONED: NSWPP: JOHN MEDIZER.

JOHN C. MEDIZER, WHITE MALE, BORN

FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE POUNDS, BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES, WAS ACTIVE IN CHICAGO UNIT NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY /NSWPP/ DURING SUMMER AND FALL, NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN.

MEDIZER LIVED FOR TIME AT NSWPP HEADQUARTERS AND ALSO AT DIPLOMAT HOTEL, CHICAGO. HE WORKED AT ROTO PRINT COMPANY, CHICAGO UNTIL MARCH TWENTY NINE. SIXTYEIGHT. WHEN HE QUIT HIS JOB.

CHICAGO NSWPP SOURCE ADVISED MEDIZER BELIEVED ORIGINALLY FROM WEST FRANKFORT, ILLINOIS AND REPORTEDLY WORKED PRIOR TO CHICAGO AS DRUMMER IN NIGHT SPOTS IN DALLAS, TEXAS AREA. END PAGE ONE

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WHILE ACTIVE IN NSWPP AFFAIRS MEDIZER PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS INCLUDING DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST ANTI VIETNAM PEACE DEMONSTRATIONS WASHINGTON, D.C., OCTOBER TWENTY, TWENTY ONE, SIXTYSEVEN.

VINCENT BONNELL, POREMHN, NOTO PRINT COMPANT, MAS ADVISED
MEDIZER HAS SSN
WAS SHOP WORKER. MEDIZER FREQUENTLY BRAGGED TO
COWORKERS ABOUT HIS NAZI PARTY ACTIVITIES AND DISPLAYED
LITERATURE AND OTHER NAZI ITEMS. ON MARCH TWENTY, SIXTY EIGHT
MEDIZER ADVISED HE WAS QUITING JOB TO WORK FOR NAZIS IN ARGENTINA,
REPORTEDLY ON "FORGED PASSPORT." HE INDICATED HE FIRST
WOULD VISIT FRIENDS IN DALLAS.

ENDEMAN DOTO DOINT COMPANY

MEDIZER ALSO DURING EMPLOYMENT MADE VAGUE THREATS AGAINST
MARTIN LUTHER KING AND THAT HE WOULD "TAKE CARE OF HIM."

SUBSEQUENTLY MEDIZER PICKED UP PAYCHECK ON MARCH TWENTY NINE, SIXTY EIGHT, STATED HIS PRESENT PLANS INCLUDED A VISIT TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, THEN TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA WHERE HE WOULD DISCUSS HIS PLANS WITH MAJOR KOEHL /MATT KOEHL OF NSWPP/ AT ARLINGTON AND DO WHAT EVER "THE MAJOR" WANTED HIM TO DO. END PAGE TWO

HE INDICATED HIS PLANS MAY NOT INCLUDE A TRIP TO ARGENTINA DEPENDING ON WHAT KOEHL HAD TO SAY.

PASSPORT RECORDS. CHICAGO NEGATIVE RE MEDIZER.

MRS. MORRIS, DIPLOMAT HOTEL, CHICAGO HAS ADVISED MEDIZER LEFT HOTEL LAST OF MARCH STATING HE WAS GOING TO AUSTRALIA.

TALKED OF NAZI ACTIVITIES AT HOTEL, NOTHING SPECIFIC RECALLED.

LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS.

CHICAGO NSWPP SOURCES HAVE NO INFORMATION RE MEDIZER'S CURRENT WHEREABOUTS. HAVE NO INFORMATION RE MEDIZER INVOLVEMENT RE MURKIN.

BASED ON STATEMENT MADE RE KING, MEDIZER SHOULD BE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED.

RICHMOND AT ARLINGTON CONTACT MATT KOEHL, NSWPP-TO DETERMINE IF MEDIZER LOCATED THERE AND INTERVIEW RE POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT MURKIN. IF NOT LOCATED SUTEL LEADS TO LOCATE.

AM COPIES SENT DALLAS, ST. LOUIS, SPRINGFIELD AND WFO.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

FBI ATLANTA

FBI CHICAGO

537PM URGENT 4-25-68 RMF

TO DIRECTOR /44-38861/, ATLANTA /44-2386/, MEMPHIS /44-1987/

FROM CHICAGO /44-1114/

MURKIN

RE CHICAGO TEL APRIL TWENTY FIVE INSTANT.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

ALFRED GEORGE SCHWEIDER, WHITE MALE, BORN

AT CHICAGO, RESIDING FIVE ZERO FIVE

FOUR NORTH LEAVITT, CHICAGO, INTERVIEWED TODAY. EMPLOYED

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AS UNDERWRITER KEMPER INSURANCE COMPANY,

CHICAGO. STATED THAT IN AUGUST, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, RUMOR

IN HIS NEIGHBORHOOD WAS TO EFFECT THAT KING WAS TO SOON MAKE

SPEECH IN WINNEMAC PARK, LOCATED ACROSS STREET FROM SCHNEIDER

RESIDENCE. SCHNEIDER WAS DRINKING IN LOCAL BAR AND CUSTOMERS

WERE TALKING ABOUT PROPOSED KING SPEECH AT WINNEMAC PARK.

TALK BECAME HEATED AGAINST KING AND CUSTOMER DARED SCHNEIDER

TO CALL POLICE AND REPORT THAT KING WOULD BE KILLED IF HE APPEARED.

SCHNEIDER THEREAFTER RETURNED HOME AND BECAUSE OF DRUNKEN
CONDITION, TELEPHONED LOCAL POLICE DISTRICT STATING THAT IF KING
APPEARED HE WOULD BE KILLED. DENIED HE SAID HE WOULD KILL KING.
END PAGE ONE

PAGE TWO

SCHNEIDER'S WIFE INTERVIEWED AND CONFIRMED HE DRINKS
TO EXCESS. SHE RECALLED SCHNEIDER'S TELEPHONE CALL TO POLICE
ONE NIGHT WHEN HE WAS DRUNK. SHE HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT
IF HE MADE THREAT. THAT HE EVER INTENDED TO CARRY IT THROUGH.

NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION INDICATED SCHNEIDER AND FAMILY HAVE EXCELLENT REPUTATION IN COMMUNITY. NO ARREST RECORD OF SCHNEIDER CHICAGO.

IN VIEW OF FOREGOING, SCHNEIDER CONSIDERED BY CHICAGO AS ELIMINATED AS POSSIBLE CONSPIRATOR MURKIN AND NO FURTHER INQUIRY BEEING MADE CONCERNING HIM UACB.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861) MEMPHIS (44-1987) ATLANTA (44-2386)

ST. LOUIS (44-775)

FROM: CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

REWFO TEL TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, MINNEAPOLIS AND PHILADELPHHA, APRIL TWENTY-FOUR LAST; WFO TEL TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, MINNEAPOLIS, PHILADELPHIA AND ST LOUHS, APRIL TWENTY-FOUR LAST AND ST LNUIS TEL TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO AND MEMPHIS, INSTANT DATE.

MORT ROTHSTING, ATTORNEY, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) REGIONAL OFFICE. CHICAGO. ADVISED TODAY SUBJECTS VA CLAIM FILE NUMBER

FIVE AND RETIRED TO FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, CHIBAGO, AND SUBSEQUENTLY FORWARDED TO VA RECORD PROCERSING CENTER, FOUR THREE ZERO ZERO GOODFELLOW BOULEVARD, BUILDING ONE ZERO FOUR E, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

BILL CIRONE, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION, VA REGIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO, ADVISED TODAY INACTIVE REHABILITATION AND EDUCATION FOLDERS, INCLUDING RAY'S, WERE DESTROYED APPROXILATELY TWO YEARS AGO.

AM COPIES TO KANSAS CITY AND WFO.

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FBI ATLANTA



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7:13 PM URGENT 4/25/68 LBN
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, CHARLOTTE
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN.

RE MIAMI TELETYPES TO DIRECTOR, APRIL NINETEEN AND TWENTYFOUR. LAST. NO COPY TO CHARLOTTE.

EASTERN AIRLINES (EAL), MIAMI, FLORIDA, FURNISHED

NAME OF RENE ROJAS AS PASSENGER ABOARD EAL FLIGHT NINE ONE FIVE

APRIL SIX LAST, NEW YORK TO ATLANTA TO NEW ORLEANS TO MEXICO

CITY. TICKET PURCHASED ATLANTA AIRPORT MARCH TWENTYTHREE

LAST, PAID BY CASH, ORIGIN GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA, EAL

FLIGHT SIX TWO NINE, APRIL SIX LAST TO ATLANTA AND TRANSFER

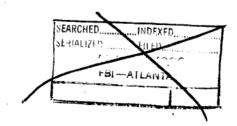
TO EAL FLIGHT NINE ONE FIVE SAME DATE.

B.M. CRITTENDEN, ASSISTANT TERMINAL SERVICES:

MANAGER, EAL, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ADVISED THIS DATE RESERVATION
RECORDS REFLECT CONTACT ADDRESS FOR ROJAS AS CARE OF W.T.

FOISTER, TELEPHONE EIGHT EIGHT TWO DASH TWO SEVEN FIVE ONE,
HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA.

END PAGE ONE..



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CHARLOTTE AT HIGH POINT, WILL CONTACT W.T. FOISTER

RE LOCATION AND IDENTITY OF RENE ROJAS AND SET OUT APPROPRIATE

LEADS TO HAVE HIM INTERVIEWED FOR ELIMINATION PURPOSES.

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735 PM URGENT 4/25/68 VLB

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS, MILWAUKEE, ATLANTA AND SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: LOS ANGELES (44-1574)(P) 2P

MURKIN

RE MILWAUKEE TEL INSTANT DATE.

RE LOUIS LOWAX STORY REGARDING MYSTERIOUS BLOND.

MRS. GLORIA DAVIDSON, CALIFORNIA STATE NARCOTIC BUREAU,
VINEWOOD CENTER, ONE EIGHT THREE ONE NORTH VINE ST., LOS ANGELES,
ADVISED DYRELL DENNIS LEGITIMATE PERSON. FURTHER ADVISED DENNIS
HAS BEEN CONFINED AT NORCO STATE HOSPITAL, NORCO, CALIFORNIA
FOR PERIODS DATING BACK TO NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE AND WAS LAST
CONFINED TO HOSPITAL FROM MAY FOUR NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN TO

JANUARY ONE SIX NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT FOR NARCOTIC TREATMENT.

DENNIS RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL AND PLACED IN HALF WAY PROJECT
HOUSE AT VINEWOOD CENTER ON JANUARY ONE SIX NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT.

PERSONS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN DAILY CONTACT AT CENTER AND DENNIS
DROPPED AS "AT LARGE" ON THREE TWENTY SIXTY EIGHT AND WARRANT FOR
ARREST NUMBER FOUR CRN ISSUED THREE TWENTY FIVE SIXTY EIGHT.

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DENNIS STILL WANTED BUT STATE WILL NOT EXTRADITE ON THIS

TYPE OF WARRANT WHERE SUBJECT IS IN TREATMENT STATUS. RECORDS

OF NARCOTIC UNIT REFLECT DENNIS DOES HAVE SON SEVENTEEN YEARS

OF AGE BY NAME OF CURTIS ROBERT PAUL, AND SHE HAS BEEN EMPLOYED

AS SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR. DENNIS HAS CII NUMBER ONE TWO FIVE ONE

FOUR THREE FOUR. PHOTO'S BEING SECURED BY LOS ANGELES AND

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

SAN FRANCISCO DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PHOTO.

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q:23 PM URGENT 4/25/68 LBN

TO DIRECTOR AND MIAMI

FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN.

MR. B. MANUEL, CLERK, U.S. POST OFFICE, FEDERAL

ANNEX, ATLANTA, ADVISED HE NOTED A LETTER GOING THROUGH POST

OFFICE TODAY ADDRESSED TO WILLARD F. RAY, TWO TWO FIVE KINSEY

COURT, N.E., ATLANTA. ABOVE ADDRESS CROSSED OUT AND FORWARDING

ADDRESS OF ONE TWO FIVE ONE DICKINSON, APARTMENT THREE THREE

TWO, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, WRITTEN IN. IN PLACE OF RETURN

ADDRESS, UPPER LEFT CORNER IS WRITING "GOD BLESS YOU." LETTER

POSTMARKED APRIL TWENTYTHREE, LAST, BROOKLYN, STATE NOT DISCERN
ABLE. MANUEL STATED FURNISHING ABOVE INFORMATION IN VIEW OF

SIMILARTIY OF NAMES SINCE RAY HAS USED NAME WILLARD.

MIAMI AT CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, WILL CONTACT WILLARD F. RAY AND DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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9:40 PM URGENT 4/25/68 LBN
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND NEW YORK
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN.

FBI ATLANTA

RE MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, APRIL TWENTYFIVE
INSTANT: CLEVELAND AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR, APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST.

DR. V. FOX, SUPERVISOR, GEORGIAN CLINIC, GEORGIA
STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ADVISED THAT MANY
OF THE SCENES FOR NBC DOCUMENTARY FILM, AMERICAN ALCOHOLIC,
WERE FILMED AT THE GEORGIAN CLINIC IN ATLANTA. REFERENCED
MEMPHIS TELETYPE STATES PERSON CALLED RUDY WAS PROBABLY PERSON
REFERENCED TO BY MISS SYLVIA IRVING. DR. FOX AND ASSOCIATES
ADVISED THEY HAD SEEN FILM AND RUDY IN REFERENCED MEMPHIS
TELETYPE IS RUDOLPH HAMMOND. ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS
REVIEWED AND FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION ELIMINATES RUDOLPH
HAMMOND AS SUSPECT. DR. FOX STATED NAMES HELON OR HALLON ARE
NOT IDENTICAL WITH ANY NAME IN RECORDS OF GEORGIAN CLINIC, DR.
FOX STATED LYNN GIOVANITTI, NBC, NEW YORK CITY, HAS NAMES AND
PLACES WHERE ALL SCENES OF FILM WERE MADE.
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MEMPHIS, ADVISE NEW YORK IF ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION IS NEEDED TO DETERMINE IDENTITY RE NAMES HELON AND HALLON.

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10:09 PM URGENT 4/25/68 VSC
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 2P

MURKIN

ON APR. TWO FIVE, 'SIXTYEIGHT, RANDOLPH B. JONES, HERTZ
FRANCHISE DEALER AND PURE OIL DEALER, ONE THREE ONE COTTON AV.,
AMERICUS, GEORGIA, ADVISED HE SOLD GAS TO INDIVIDUAL ON
APR. ONE SIX, LAST, WHO CLOSELY RESEMBLED 'SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO OF

JAMES EARL RAY. INDIVIDUAL DRIVING 'SIXTYFIVE OR 'SIXTYSIX

FOUR-DR TWO-TONE CADILLAC, POSSIBLY WHITE TOP AND BLUE BODY WITH

'SIXTYEIGHT GEORGIA LICENSE BEGINNING WITH NUMERAL ONE. DESCRIBED

THIS INDIVIDUAL AS ABOUT THIRTYFOUR YRS OLD, FIVE EIGHT OR NINE, BROWN HAI

COMBED STRAIGHT BACK, THINNER LOOKING FACE THAN 'SIXTYEIGHT PHOTO OF

RAY AND WEARING COAT AND TIE. INDIVIDUAL BOUGHT GAS ON TEMPORARY PURE

CREDIT CARD, WHICH HE BELIEVES EXPIRES IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER,

SIXTYEIGHT.

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JONES ADVISED CREDIT CARDS FOR DATE OF APR. ONE SIX, SIXTYEIGHT
ALREADY FORWARDED TO PURE OIL CO RETAIL DEPARTMENT, PALATINE, ILLINOIS.
HIS RECORDS REFLECT CREDIT CARDS FORWARDED ON APR. ONE SEVEN,
'SIXTYEIGHT AND APR. TWO ONE, 'SIXTYEIGHT. JONES SERVICE
STATION LISTED IN PURE OIL RECORDS AS RANDY JONES, AMERICUS,
GEBBGIA, STATION NO. FIVE SEVEN DASH NINE ZERO ZERO SEVEN
DASH ONE ZERO FOUR.

CHICAGO AT PALATINE, ILLINOIS, CONTACT PURE OIL CO. RETAIL

CREDIT DEPT. AND ASCERTAIN CREDIT CARD NUMBERS AND IDENTITY OF CARD

SUBSCRIBERS LISTED ON CREDIT REPORTS FROM RANDY JONES, AMERICUS,

GA., STATION NO. FIVE SEVEN DASH NINE ZERO ZERO SEVEN DASH ONE

ZERO FOUR, FOR ANY PURCHASE MADE ON APR. ONE SIX, 'SIXTYEIGHT.

THESE RECORDS POSSIBLY SENT IN BY JONES ON APR. ONE SEVEN, 'SIXTYEIGHT.

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10:19 PM URGENT 4/25/68 VSC

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND NEW ORLEANS
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 1P

MURKIN

CONTACT WITH DELTA AIRLINE OFFICIALS, ATLANTA, GA.,

RE DELTA OVERSEAS FLIGHT ONE ZERO SIX FOR DATE OF

APR. FIVE AND SIX, 'SIXTYEIGHT, REFLECTS CREW ON THIS PLANE
FOR BOTH DATES WERE HOME BASED NEW ORLEANS, LA.

NEW ORLEANS AT NEW ORLEANS WILL DISPLAY PHOTO OF RAY TO THIS CREW TO DETERMINE IF SUBJECT COULD HAVE BEEN ABOARD ONE OF THESE FLIGHTS.

A & D. P

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FBI ATLANTA

10:21 PM URGENT 4/25/68 VSC

TO DIRECTOR (AIR MAIL) AND DETROIT

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 1P

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR AND DETROIT, APR. TWO TWO, SIXTYEIGHT, CAPTIONED JULIUS GRIFFIN, PROBATIONARY RACIAL INFORMANT.

REFERENCED AIRTEL SETS OUT INFO FURNISHED BY GRIFFIN RE ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS "BREAK-THROUGH". INFO SET OUT IN FIRST AND SECOND PAGES OF AIRTEL RELATE TO POSSIBLE CONNECTION OF "BREAK-THROUGH" WITH MURKIN.

DETROIT THRU SOURCES ATTEMPT TO VERIFY INFO FURNISHED BY GRIFFIN.

A & D. P

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FBI ATLANTA

10:33 PM URGENT 4/25/68

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, KNOXVILLE

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

ANONYMOUS FEMALE TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED ATLANTA

APR. TWO FIVE INSTANT, ADVISED EVENING APR. ONE THREE, LAST,

SHE AND HER HUSBAND AT RED COALS RESTAURANT, HOLIDAY INN,

MARKET STREET, CHATTANOOGA, TENN. THERE WAS MAN AT RESTAURANT

WITH WOMAN. MAN GREATLY RESEMBLED PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY.

ALTHOUGH FEMALE REFUSED TO IDENTIFY HERSELF, SHE

STATED ONE LINDA (LAST NAME UNKNOWN) WAITRESS AT RED COALS

RESTAURANT, SAW THIS INDIVIDUAL AND COULD IDENTIFY HIM.

KNOXVILLE CONTACT LINDA (LAST NAME UNKNOWN) AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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10:45 PM URGENT 4/25/68 VSC
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, SAVANNAH
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

RE AIRLINE CHECKS:

EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT NINE ONE FIVE FOR APRIL
SIX, 'SIXTYEIGHT, INDIVIDUALS ON FLIGHT WITH RESERVATION
CARDS IN NAMES POSS, SMITH, KLINE, AND RAGSDALE.
EASTERN AIRLINES STATES KLINE RESERVATION APPARENTLY
USED BY D. ANDRICK SINCE RAGSDALE, ANDRICK, SMITH, AND POSS
SHOWN ON TICKETS AS HAVING OBTAINED TRAVEL THRU SOUTHERN
TRAVEL AGENCY, INC., AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

SAVANNAH REQUESTED TO CONTACT SOUTHERN TRAVEL AGENCY, INC., IN AUGUSTA, IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED ABOVE, AND ELIMINATE AS SUSPECTS.

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FBI SAVANNAH

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11:00 PM URGENT 4/25/68 VSC

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, KNOXVILLE, RICHMOND, AND WFO
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 2P

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA TEL TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND RICHMOND, APR.
TWO TWO. 'SIXTYEIGHT.

FOR INFO OF RICHMOND, ADDITIONAL CHECKS WITH DELTA AIRLINES, ATLANTA, REFLECTS NAME NORM PERRY (SET OUT IN REFERENCED TEL) IS ACTUALLY NORMA PERRY AND APPROPRIATE CHANGES SHOULD BE MADE WHEN MAKING INQUIRY OF CUSTOMS AGENT, DELTA INTERNATIONAL. IN ADDITION, PASSENGERS MANIFEST LIST FOR DELTA AIRLINES, ATLANTA FLIGHT ONE ZERO SIX, APR. FIVE, 'SIXTYEIGHT (OVERSEAS FLIGHT TO LONDON, ENGLAND, AND FRANKFURT, GERMANY) ALSO LISTS A PASSENGER BY NAME A. BURNE (PARTY OF ONE) WITH PASSAGE BOOKED FOR LONDON, ENGLAND, APR. SIX. 'SIXTYEIGHT.

NO ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND DATA OR INFO ON THIS INDIVIDUAL AVAILABLE DELTA.

MANIFEST PASSENGER LISTS ALSO SHOW THE FOLLOWING AS PASSENGERS WHO BOARDED AT ATLANTA. GA.. WITH OVERSEAS FLIGHTS:

J. C. VAUGHN, WASH., D.C., HOME PHONE F L FOUR DASH SIX FOUR ONE ONE; BUSINESS PHONE SIX TWO EIGHT DASH FIVE EIGHT ZERO FOUR, PASSAGE TO LONDON, APR. FIVE, 'SIXTYEIGHT; MRS. J. CHANCE, SOUTH END PAGE ONE

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PITTSBURG, TENN., CHATTANOOGA, TENN. HOME PHONE EIGHT THREE SEVEN
DASH SEVEN TWO ZERO SEVEN, PASSAGE TO LONDON, APR. FIVE, 'SIXTYEIGHT.

RICHMOND AT DELTA INTERNATIONAL WILL CONTACT CUSTOMS AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES DELTA AIRLINES TO DETERMINE IF A. BURNE FLEW TO LONDON FROM DULLES AIRPORT, APR. SIX, 'SIXTYEIGHT, AND ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP SUFFICIENT BACKGROUND TO ELIMINATE AS SUBJECT.

KNOXVILLE AT CHATTANOOGA, AND SOUTH PITTSBURG, TENN., IDENTIFY MRS. J. CHANCE AND VERIFY FLIGHT.

WFO AT WFO. IDENTIFY J. C. VAUGHN AND VERIFY FLIGHT.

A & D. P

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FBI RICHMOND

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1132 PM URGENT 4/25/68 LBN

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, SPRINGFIELD, FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

MURKIN.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION, APRIL TWENTYFIVE, SIXTYEIGHT:
NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION AT RAY'S LAST KNOWN
RESIDENCE EXPANDED TO FIFTEENTH STREET AREA. INVESTIGATION
CONDUCTED TO DATE NEGATIVE.

ATTEMPTS MADE TO REINTERVIEW JIMMIE DELTON GARNER,
BUT HE CONTINUES IN A HIGHLY INTOXICZTED CONDITION. EFFORTS TO
INTERVIEW HIM DISCONTINUED FOR THIS DATE DUE TO HIS CONDITION.

CONTACTS WITH PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS ON FOREIGN
FLIGHTS FROM ATLANTA ON APRIL FIVE LAST CONTINUING AND NEGATIVE
TO DATE.

CONTACT OF INDIVIDUALS ADVIETTISING AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE THROUGH NEWSPAPER ADS BETWEEN MARCH TWENTYFOUR AND APRIL FIVE LAST CONTINUING AND NEGATIVE TO DATE.

THREE LOOK-ALIKE SUSPECTS CHECKED OUT AND ELIMINATED BY SPECIAL AGENTS.

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THE BUREAU OF NARCOTICS, ATLANTA, CONTACTED CONCERNING
RAY IN VIEW OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED INDICATING RAY IS ADDICTED
TO NARCOTICS. NARCOTICS BUREAU IS CONTACTING INFORMANTS
FAMILIAR WITH NARCOTICS ACTIVITIES ATLANTA AREA AND OUR
INFORMANTS FAMILIAR WITH NARCOTICS ACTIVITIES HAVE GEEN RECONTACTED WITH OTHER BEING CONTACT APRIL TWENTYSIX NEXT.

RACIAL INFORMANTS ARE BEING RECONTACTED CONCERNING RAY.

AND ANY INFORMATION WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED INDICATING

THAT A BOUNTY MAY HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE LIFE OF KING.

LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA REINTERVIEWED AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY'S BACKGROUND AND LEADS HAVE BEEN SET OUT.

ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED CONCERNING
BILLY JOE FAULKNER TO DETERMINE HIS WHERABOUTS DURING THE
PERIOD RAY WAS IN ATLANTA AND IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MURDER.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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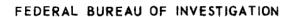
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	Attached furnished in compliance with request from
\Box	Only record available attached.
	This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
	Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
	Records FBI #
	are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
	Fingerprint files fail to disclose
	Confirming FBI wire of
	A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody.
	When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
	If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
	Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
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LUCY CAYTON, 149 Memorial Drive, Southeast, Apartment 490, was exhibited seven photographs, including two of ERIC STARVO GALT. CAYTON said the photograph of GALT with his eyes open appeared identical to the individual she saw walking in the parking lot toward her apartment on the morning of April 5, 1968.

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