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MIAMI, AND SAN FRANCISCO

FROM:

PITTSBURGH (44-578)

MURKIN. OO: MEMPHIS

RE CHICAGO TEL BUREAU, FOUR TWENTYFIVE LAST.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

FOR INFO MIAMI, 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 OBTANED RIDE WITH STOUT. AT KANSAS CITY, MO.,
STOUT DISAPPEARED WITH THEIR EFFECTS. BEFORE STOUT DISAPPEARED,
HE TOLD THEM HE WAS GOING TO SHOOT KING.

ON FOUR TWENTYSIX INSTANT, RAYMOND ZACKOVICH, SECRET SERVICE AGENT, PITTSBURGH, ADVISED HARRY P. STEWART, FORMER SECRET SERVICE AGENT, RETIRED ONE YEAR AGO. STEWART NOW RESIDING AT ROUTE ONE, BOX THREE EIGHT EIGHT, SEBASTIAN, FLA.

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MIAMI, INTERVIEW STEWART FOR ADDITIONAL DATA HE RECEIVED AND PRESENT LOCATION OF HIS NEPHEW, STEWART LINDH.

SUTEL.

AIR MAIL ATLANTA.

PENDING.

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TO SAC CHICAGO DIRECTOR, FBI (MAIL)

FROM SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN. CR. OO: MEMPHIS

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO CHICAGO APRIL TWENTY TWO, LAST AND ATLANTA TELETYPE APRIL TWENTY TWO, LAST.

STOW E. SYMON, SUPERVISING SOCIOLOGIST, ILLINOIS STATE
PENITENTIARY, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS, ON APRIL TWENTY FIVE, LAST,
ADVISED HIS FILE CONTAINS LITTLE INFORMATION CONCERNING RAY
WHO WAS A MODEL PRISONER WHILE INCARCERATED PONTIAC, JULY
SEVEN, FIFTY TWO, UNTIL DISCHARGE MARCH TWELVE, FIFTY FOUR.
STATES RAY CONFINED CHARGE ROBBERY UNDER CRIMINAL COURT,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, CASE FIVE TWO - ONE ONE FIVE FIVE
WHICH SETS FORTH IN STATEMENT OF FACTS SUBJECT AT TIME OF
ARREST, CHICAGO, WOUNDED IN BOTH ARMS BY POLICE BULLETS. NO
INFORMATION PONTIAC DESCRIBING WOUNDS OR LOCATION OF SCARS.
SUBJECT RAY AT PONTIAC ASSIGNED HONOR FARM, AUGUST TWELVE,
FIFTY TWO UNTIL DISCHARGE. THIS IS DORMITORY TYPE HOUSING
RATHER THAN CELL TYPE. SUBJECT ASSIGNED KITCHEN AS COOK AND
ALSO ON OFFICERS QUARTERS DETAIL. SYMON HAVING SEARCH OF

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FORMER INMATE RECORDS MADE IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF INMATES ASSIGNED HONOR FARM WHILE RAY INCARCERATED. TO DATE FOLLOWING IDENTIFIED, SET FORTH WITH LAST KNOWN ADDRESS FURNISHED PRISON AT TIME OF RELEASE:

LEE MILLER, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE TWO ZERO ZERO, SIX
FIVE THREE EIGHT NORTH TALMAN STREET, AND THREE FIVE FOUR TWO
SOUTH PORT, CHICAGO.

EDWARD PAUL RIVERA, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE TWO NINE FOUR, FIVE ONE FIVE WEST SIXTY THIRD STREET, CHICAGO.

GUS MARZAMN, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE ZERO NINE FIVE, ONE SIX TWO ZERO WEST NELSON STREET, CHICAGO.

CHARLES REED, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE EIGHT FOUR NINE TWO,
TWO TWO EIGHT SIXTH STREET, MADISON, ILLINOIS.

FRED M. PETRAKIS, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE EIGHT FIVE ONE SIX, ROUTE ONE PEORIA, AND FIVE ONE EIGHT SANFORD STREET, PEORIA.

KENNETH D. FOSDYCK, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE TWO ONE EIGHT, ROUTE ONE, BUSHNELL, ILLINOIS.

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DWIGHT ROWE, PONTIAC NUMBER ONE NINE ZERO EIGHT SIX, FOUR THREE TWO AND ONE HALF SOUTH VINE, KEWANEE, ILLINOIS.

CHICAGO WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW FORMER INMATES, CHICAGO, IN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF CLOSE FRIENDS OF RAY WHILE INCARCERATED PONTIAC.

WILL REVIEW CRIMINAL COURT CASE FIVE TWO - ONE ONE FIVE FIVE TO ESTABLISH LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF WOUND SCARS BOTH ARMS.

SPRINGFIELD WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW FORMER INMATES
SPRINGFIELD DIVISION IN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY OF CLOSE
FRIENDS OF RAY WHILE INCARCERATED PONTIAC PRISON.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

4-26-68 PLAIN TEXT TELETYPE URGENT DIRECTOR, MIAMI, AND HOUSTON TO: FROM: MEMPHIS (44-1987) MURKIN. RE MIAMI TEL THREE ZERO TWO P.M., APRIL TWENTYSIX. REFERENCE MIAMI TEL SETS FORTH INFO RECEIVED FROM PAUL ALVIN LAIL, FORMER MISSOURI STATE PEN INMATE. OF INTEREST IN CONNECTION WITH INTERVIEW OF LAIL IS STATEMENT THAT HE FELT RAY MIGHT GO TO PLACE ABOUT SIZE OF HOUSTON, TEXAS. SINCE NEIL ABEY ALSO KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN RESIDENT OF HOUSTON AREA, REQUEST MISMI REINTERVIEW LAIL TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT HE HAD ANY REASON FOR PICKING OUT CITY SIZE OF HOUSTON, OR IF HE HAS INFO SUGGESTING RAY MAY HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ABEY OR ANYONE ELSE IN HOUSTON. AM COPIES TO ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, KANSAS CITY. A & D. END RGJ:BN 44-2386-403 (4)ATLANTA (AM) BIRMINGHAM (AM) - KANSAS CITY (AM)

4/26/68

AIRTEL

TO:

SAC, CHICAGO

FROM:

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) -P-

RE:

MURKIN

Re BH tel to Bureau, 4/11/68 at 6:32 p.m., setting forth information regarding a stop notice for JOHN E. WILLARD, BH tel to Bureau, 4/11/68 at 6:30 p.m., setting forth results of check with W. M. GARDNER, Manager, Retail Credit Co., Birmingham, Alabama, concerning one J. D. WILLARD, and AT tel to Bureau, 4/15/68 at 6:15 p.m. setting forth information re A. M. TENNISON, JR. of National Life and Accident Insurance Co., Nashville, Tennessee.

On 4/24/68, Mr. A. M. TENNISON, JR., Assistant Auditor, General Accounting Division, National Life and Accident Insurance Company, Nashville, Tennessee, advised SA HENDERSON HILLIN, JR. that he had searched all available records of his company and could find no information concerning a J. D. WILLARD as a former employee of the company or anyone about whom the National Life and Accident Insurance Company had made any effort to locate. He advised that he had located a record for JOHN E. WILLARD, a former agent with the National Life and Accident Insurance Company in the Chicago South Central District. His record

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contained the following information:

JOEN E. WILLARD, certificate number 81056, service number 37145, was employed in the Chicago, Illinois South Central District as an agent from July 13, 1964 to January 8, 1965. WILLARD left the company and owed the company \$498.85 in collected premium funds which were not turned in. Thereafter the company made numerous efforts to collect this money from him and began efforts to locate him for contact in 1966. On October 27, 1966, the company put out a broadcast of disappearance for JOHN E. WILLARD and distributed this to various credit agencies throughout the United States. The Chicago, Illinois Credit Bureau reported to the National Life and Accident Insurance Company thereafter that they had determined that WILLARD was last known to be residing at 2564 South Blue Island Avenue, Chicago, and had previously been employed by the Gateway Transport Company.

A former address of 5202 South Maplewood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was indicated. WILLARD is a white male, born 5'11". 203 bounds, and is married to IRENE JOY WILLARD, born The Chicago Credit Bureau reported that they were divorced or separated. Born to this union were three children, JOHN, JAMIE and DANNY.

Mr. TENNISON stated that this was a regular occurrence in that insurance agents would work for a period of time and quit owing the company money, and an effort would be made to locate them. He advised that this stop notice has been distributed throughout the United States and to this date WILLARD has not been located by the company and no restitution on these funds made.

LEADS:

CHICAGO DIVISION

Although the subject in this case has been identified, Chicago might desire to utilize information contained above covering lead set forth in referenced communication.

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AIR MAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, KNOXVILLE (44-696) (P)

RE:

MURKIN;

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Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, Memphis and Knoxville 4/26/68.

Investigation at Holiday Inn Motel, Market Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 4/26/68, developed no information JAMES EARL RAY has been at this motel. LINDA SUTTON, bar maid, Holiday Inn, has no information that would identify the anonymous female caller to the Atlanta Office on 4/25/68. She does not recall anyone identifying RAY in either the restaurant or the bar at the motel.

Holiday Inn has received numerous circulars concerning RAY and according to the Innkeeper, none of the employees or guests have ever indicated they have seen anyone at the motel resembling a photograph of RAY.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, KNOXVILLE (44-696) (P)

RE:

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Re Atlanta teletype to Director, 4/26/68.

Flight of Mrs. JUDY CHANCE, South Pittsburg, Tennessee, telephone number 837-7207, from Atlanta, Georgia, to London, England on 4/5/68 verified. Mrs. CHANCE is visiting husband in military service.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

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Re Atlanta airtel to Director, 4/25/68.

All car recoveries subsequent to 3/23/68 in Tampa Division reviewed with negative results.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) BIRMINGHAM (44-1740),

MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND RICHMOND (44-657) (AIRMAIL COPIES

TO CHARLOTTE AND ATLANTA)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

MURKIN

RE ERIC RAY, AKA EARL RAY, FRIEND OF SHELBY JEAN BALDRIDGE.

RE RICHMOND TEL APRIL TWENTYSIX INSTANT.

ON RECONTACT THIS DATE, SCT. ELBERT BALDRIDGE ADVISED

HE HAD NO WAY OF DETERMINING IF INFORMATION FURNISHED HIM BY

WIFE, SHELBY JEAN, RE ERIC RAY, AKA EARL RAY, HAD ANY BASIS IN

FACT. BALDRIDGE NEVER DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH MRS. LENA

FAUCETT, PATSY OWEN, OR ANYONE ELSE AND HAD NO CONFIRMING INFO

RE ERIC RAY OR SHELBY JEAN'S CONTACT WITH ERIC RAY. SHELBY JEAN

NEVER SAID ANYTHING ABOUT ERIC RAY PRIOR TO PLANNED TRIP TO

FLORIDA IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR AND CAVE NO INDICATION THAT SHE

HAD EVER CORRESPONDED WITH OR MAINTIMED CONTACT SITH BIM. 140

SUBSEQUENT TO NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN. BALDRIDGE SAID THAT, IF THIS

BE THE CASE, SHELBY JEAN WOULD HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING F RAY

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WAS STILL RESIDING IN FLORIDA AS OF NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE, RICHMOND SHOULD ATTEMPT TO LOCATE
SHELBY JEAN BALDRIDGE IN SALTVILLE, VIRGINIA, AREA AND INTERVIEW
HER IN ORDER TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

PM URGENT 4/27/SS OLP

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) 7 P

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RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPES TO NEW ORLEANS APRIL TWENTY-SIX. LAST AT TEN FOURTEEN PM AND TEN FORTYFOUR PM.

RE: TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS NO.

NINE FOUR SEVEN - ZERO NINE THREE

ZÉRO, MARCH TWELVE, LAST.

THE ABOVE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS LISTED TO OZAMA BOVIA
THIRTYSEVEN ZERO SEVEN ABUNDANCE STREET, DESIRE STREET
HOUSING PROJECT, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA. BGVIA, NEGRO
MALE, IN INTERVIEW DENIES ANY TELEPHONE CALLS TO LOS
ANGELES TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR SIX THREE - NINE FOUR FOUR
NINE. BOVIA VIEWED PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL
RAY AND CHARLES STEIN AND RECOGNIZED RAY AS INDIVIDUAL
INVOLVED IN KING CASE. BOVIA SAID HE HAD NEVER SEEN
RAY BEFORE EXCEPT FOR THE PICTURES IN THE NEWSPAPERS AND
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ON TELEVISION AND THAT CHARLES STEIN IS UNKNOWN TO HIM.

AGENTS VIEWED TELEPHONE BILL OF BOVIA FOR MONTH OF MARCH. NO LONG DISTANCE TO OR FROM TELEPHONE NUMBER FOUR SIX THREE - NINE FOUR FOUR NINE IN LOS ANGELES.

BOVIA'S TELEPHONE BILL REFLECTED TWO LONG DISTANCE
TELEPHONE CALLS TO LOS ANGELES NUMBER FOUR SEVEN TWO SEVEN SEVEN ZERO NINE ON MARCH TEN AND APRIL TWO, SIXTYETGHT.
BOVIA STATED THESE CALLS WERE A RELAY FROM HIS SON IN
VIETNAM.

RE TELEPHONE CALL TO NEW ORLEANS NUMBER
FIVE TWO THREE - ZERO NINE THREE ZERO
ON DECEMBER TWENTYTWO, SIXTYSEVEN.

THE ABOVE NUMBER LISTED TO THE IVANHOE PIANO BAR WHICH WAS LOCATED AT SIX ZERO ONE BOURBON STREET DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN. MARIE STEIN LEE ADVISED APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, SHE WAS FORMERLY EMPLOYED AS COCKTAIL WAITRESS, IVANHOE PIANO BAR. RECALLS END PAGE TWO

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RECEIVING TELEPHONE CALL FROM RITA STEIN A FEW DAYS PRIOR

TO CHRISTMAS SIXTYSEVEN, IN WHICH RITA ADVISED THAT THE

CHILDREN AND CHARLES STEIN HAD ARRIVED SAFELY IN CALIF. RITA

DID NOT MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT GALT. LEE FURTHER ADVISED THAT

NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE MUMBER NINE FOUR FIVE - SEVEN THREE ONE TWO

WAS LISTED IN HER NAME WHEN SHE RESIDED AT FOURTEEN TWENTYSEVEN

BURGUNDY UNDER NAME OF MARIE STEIN. STATED SHE GAVE THIS NUMBER TO

HER MOTHER, CLOVINA OLOUZO, AND IT WAS TRANSFERRED TO HER MOTHER'S

ADDRESS NINETEEN ZERO SEVEN AND ONE HALF ROYAL STREET BUT REMAINED

IN MARIE STEIN'S NAME. ADVISED SHE DID THIS AT THE TIME

SHE MOVED FROM THE BURGUNDY STREET ADDRESS TO TWO THOUSAND

ONE CLARA STREET, GRETNA, LOUISIANA.

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RE: TELEPHONE CALLS IN MARCH AND APRIL MINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT TO AND FROM NEW ORLEANS TELEPHONE NUMBER NINE FOUR FIVE DASH SEVEN THREE ONE TWO.

MRS. CLOVINA OLONZO, ONE NINE ZERO SEVEN AND ONE HALF ROYAL STREET INTERVIEWED TODAY AND ADVISED THAT TELEPHONE NUMBER NINE FOUR FIVE DASH SEVEN THREE ONE TWO IS LOCATED IN HER RESIDENCE AND THIS PHONE WAS FORMERLY LOCATED AT THE RESIDENCE OF HER DAUGHTER, MARIE LEE, NEE STEIN, WHEN LEE RESIDED ON BURGUNDY STREET.

MRS. OLONZO CANNOT REMEMPER THE EXACT DATE WHEN
TELEPHONE WAS INSTALLED IN HER RESIDENCE, BUT THOUGHT
THAT IT WAS AT LEAST A MONTH AGO. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE
REMEMBERS CALLING RITA ROSAS, MEE STEIN, IN LOS ANGELES
IN THE MONTH OF MARCH SEVERAL TIMES, BUT CANNOT REMEMBER
THE EXACT DATES OF THESE CALLS OR THE PURPOSE OF THESE
CALLS. SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT SHE RECALLS RECEIVING A
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CALL FROM RITA ROSAS IN APRIL, EXACT DATE UNRECALLED AND PURPOSE OF CALL UNRECALLED. SHE COULD NOT RECALL ANY OF THE CONVERSATIONS AND STATED THAT SHE IS IN POOR PHYSICAL HEALTH, SUFFERING FROM HEART TROUBLE AND DIABETES AND HAS BEEN IN A COMA ON TWO OCCASIONS IN THE PAST. SHE STATED THAT SHE IS SURE THAT GALT'S NAME NEVER CAME UP IN THESE CONVERSATIONS. SHE ADVISED HER SON, CHARLES STEIN, IS "CRAZY, BUT HARMLESS." SHE BASES THIS OPINION ON THE FACT THAT HER SON HOLDS CONVERSATIONS WITH "SPACE PEOPLE" AND ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS HAS ASKED HER TO LOOK IN THE SKY TO SEE THE SAME FLYING SAUCER THAT HE WAS OBSERVING, BUT SHE COULD SEE NOTHING. SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT HER SON TALKS TO TREES AND HOLDS CONVERSATIONS WITH TREES, STATING THAT THEY ARE PLACED ON THIS EARTH FOR A PURPOSE.

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RE: NEW ORLEANS CALL TO LOS ANGELES PD , APRIL TWENTYSIX, SIXTYEIGHT. BY CARMEN RUBIO

CARMEN RUBIO INTERVIEWED APRIL TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT,

AND ADVISED SHE IS MOTHER OF STAN ROSA WHO IS DECEASED HUSBAND

OF RITA STEIN AND FATHER OF KIM AND SHARON STEIN. RUBIO

STATED AFTER READING NEWSPAPER STORIES CONCERNING CAPTIONED

MATTER WHICH INVOLVED DAUGHTER-IN-LAW RITA STEIN SHE FELT

APPREHENSIVE OVER SAFETY AND WELFARE OF HER GRAND CHILDREN.

ADVISED KIM AND SHARON STEIN ARE WARDS OF THE NEW ORLEANS

JUVENILE BUREAU AND THAT SHE FELT RITA NOT FIT MOTHER

AND CONTACTED LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT IN EFFORT TO

SOLICIT HELP FROM LOS ANGELES PD IN OBTAINING CUSTODY

OF CHILDREN. STATES SHE HAS NOT SEEN CHARLES OR RITA

SIEIN SINCE JULY FOUR, SIXTYSEVEN, AT WHICH TIME THEY

CAME TO HER RESIDENCE AND TOOK THE CHILDREN. MRS. RUBIO

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WAS EXHIBITED A PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY, AND SHE ADVISED SHE HAD NEVER SEEN THIS INDIVIDUAL BEFORE. SHE FURTHER STATED THAT SHE WAS AWARE THAT CHARLES STEIN HAD MADE A TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS IN DECEMBER OF SIXTYSEVEN AND PICKED UP THE OTHER TWO CHILDREN BUT REITERATED SHE DID NOT SEE STEIN NOR DID SHE KNOW ANY DETAILS OF THIS TRIP.

LOS ANGELES VERIFY THAT BOVIA'S CALLS TO FOUR SEVEN TWO - SEVEN SEVEN ZERO NINE WERE OVERSEAS CALLS. ALSO REINTERIVEW RITA AND CHARLES STEIN REGARDING TELEPHONE CALLS ENUMERATED ABOVE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND

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(AIRMAIL COPY TO CHARLOTTE

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-186) (P)

AND (ATLANTA)

MURKIN

RE ERIC RAY, AKA EARL RAY, FRIEND OF SHELBY JEAN BALDRIDGE.

El Paso LET TO DIRECTOR, ATTN. IDENT. DIV., DATED APRIL TWENTYTWO LAST, CAPTIONED SHELBY JEAN BALDRIDGE; ET AL, MISSING PERSONS NOTICE. SETS OUT INFO RECEIVED FROM SCT. ELBERT BALDRIDGE, FT. BLISS, TEXAS, RE HIS WIFE, SHELBY JEAN BALDRIDGE, AND TWO CHILDREN, KIMBERLY JEAN, AGE FOUR, AND THOMAS ELBERT, AGE THREE. SGT. BALDRIDGE ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

HE AND WIFE SEPARATED SINCE NOVEMBER, SIXTY SEVEN AND WIFE AND CHILDREN HAVE BEEN LIVING SPRING LAKE, NORTH CAROLINA, WHILE WIFE WORKED AT GAYLORD DEPARTMENT STORE, FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLING. ON MARCH #HIRTYONE LAST, WIFE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED SCT. BLADRIDGE SHE WAS RETURNING TO EL PASO, LEAVING TAST AND MOUTD ADDITE TO DASO ADDIT THOSE LAST

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WIFE AND CHILDREN FAILED TO ARRIVE AND SGT. BALDRIDGE

LEARNED THROUGH RED CROSS WIFE LEFT HER EMPLOYMENT APRIL ONE

LAST, STATING SHE WAS GOING TO PARENTS HOME, NAMELY MR. AND

MRS. BILLY FAUCETT, BOX TWO FOUR ZERO, ROUTE ONE, CLARKSVILLE,

VIRGINIA, TELEPHONE THREE SEVEN FOUR DASH EIGHT SEVEN ONE NINE.

BALDRIDGE HAS MAINTAINED CONTINUOUS CONTACT WITH INLAWS, WHO HAVE NOT SEEN WIFE AND CHILDREN. BALDRIDGE RECEIVED LETTER FROM WIFE THIS DATE, WHEREIN SHE STATED SHE WAS STAYING WITH HER PRRENTS, MR. AND MRS. FAUCETT, AND WANTED HIM TO SEND HER MONEY CARE OF HER AUNT, RUTH JAMES, CALHOUN, GEORGIA. LETTER POSTMARKED APRIL TWENTYTWO LAST AT SALTVILLE, VIRGINIA.

BALDRIDGE JUST LEARNED HIS WIFE LIVED WITH ANOTHER MAN WHILE BALDRIDGE WAS IN VIETNAM IN SIXTY SIX AND SIXTYSEVEN AND PLANS DIVORME. BALDRIDGE OF OPINION WIFE PROBABLY RAN OFF WITH SOME MAN. RECALLED THAT HE AND WIFE PLANNED TRIP TO TAMPA, FLORIDA IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR WHICH WAS CALLED OFF DUE TO OVERSEAS TRANSFER. WIFE REMARKED TO BALDRIDGE AT THE TIME THAT SHE MIGHT HAVE CHANCE TO SEE FRIEND NAMED EARL IF THEY WENT TO FLORIDA. BALDRIDGE SUBSEQUENTLY QUESTIONED HER MORE THOROUGHLY RE THIS, AT WHICH TIME WIFE SAID THAT, AFTER GRADUATING FROM HIGHT SCHOOL IN NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN, SHE AND RAXXRAXXXX AND HER COUSIN PATSY MADE TRIP TO FLORIDA, WHERE SHE MET ONE ERIC RAY, WHOM SHE CALLED EARL. WIFE CLAIMED EARL MUCH OLDER THAN SHE. WIFE NOT KNOWN TO HAVE EVER CORRESPONDED WITH EARL.

BALDRIDGE WONDERED IF WIFE WAS POSSIBLY IN CONTACT WITH SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY, POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH ERIC RAY SHE MET IN FLORIDA.

WIFE TRAVELLING IN SIXTYSIX FORD, TWO DOOR, BROWNISH RED WITH WHITE TOP, NINETEEN SIXTYSEVEN VIRGINIA LICENSE PLATES FIVE EIGHT THREE FIVE ONE ONE, BLUE FT. BLISS STICKER A ZERO ONE SIX NINE.

| | WIFE, SHELBY MEAN, WHITE FEMALE, BORN |
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| | CLARKSVILLE, WIRGINIA, FIVE FEET FOUR INCHES TALL, ONE |
| HUNDRE | D TWENTYFOUR TO THIRTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, USUALLY WORN |
| HIGH, 1 | FAIR COMPLEXION, BROWN EYES, CUT SCAR, LEFT WRIST, SOME # |
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ASCERTAIN RESIDENCE OF PATSY LNU, COUSIN OF SHELBY JEAN BALDRIDGE, IN CLARKSVILLE, AND INTERVIEW PATSY LNU IN EFFORT TO ASCERTAIN IF SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY POSSIBLY IDENTIFAL WITH ERIC RAY, AKA EARL, WHO SHELBY JEAN AND PATSY ALLEGEDLY HAD CONTACT WITH IN FLORIDA IN NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN. IF POSSIBLY IDENTICAL, SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS TO LOCATE SHELBY JEAN AND TWO CHILDREN IN EFFORT TO DEVELOP INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT.

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TO: DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-3231) (P)

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RE BUTEL APR TWENTYSIX LAST CONCERNING JOHN D. HAGAN.

TP TWO TWO ONE R, ON APR. TWENTY SIX LAST, STATED HE RECALLED REMARK ATTRIBUTED TO HAGAN WHICH WAS MADE AUG. TWO, SIXTYFIVE, AT MEETING OF FORMER FLORIDA PIONEER CLUB, AN INDEPENDENT KLAN AT ORLANDO, FLA., TO EFFECT THAT UNKNOWN MALE IN ALA. TO DO AWAY WITH KING IN FLA. OR WASHINGTON, D.C. TWO TWO ONE R ALSO STATED HAGAN PROBABLY GOT THIS ALLEGED INFO FROM LAWRENCE D. HARRELL, ELDERLY FORMER KLANSMAN WHO IS NOW REPORTEDLY SENILE. TWO TWO ONE R UNABLE TO FURNISH FURTHER DETAILS AND HAS NO REASON TO THINK HAGAN INVOLVED IN ANY CONSPIRACY TO MURDER KING.

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JOHN DAVIS HAGAN, BUFILE ONE FIVE SEVEN - ONE SIX
SEVEN SEVEN, INTERVIEWED IN SIXTYFIVE BY FBI, PHOTOGRAPHED
ABOUT SAME TIME, AND HAD HAD LITTLE KLAN ACTIVITY SINCE.
HAGAN AND WIFE ARE NOMINAL MEMBERS OF ORANGE COUNTY CITIZENS
COUNCIL, ALTHOUGH HAGAN HIMSELF SELDOM ATTENDS.

ON APR. TWENTYSEVEN, TP TWO TWO TWO R AND TP TWO EIGHT FOUR R, WHO KNOW HAGAN, HAD NO INFO REGARDING ANY CONSPIRACY ON HAGAN'S PART.

THESE THREE TAMPA SOURCES STATE HAGAN HAS RESPONSIBLE
JOB WITH ORLANDO UTILITIES COMMISSION, ORLANDO, IS NOT
LIKED BY KLANSMEN BECAUSE OF HIS DOMINEERING WAYS, AND
THEY ALSO SAY HE IS A "LONER".

INFORMANTS SHOWN PHOTO OF JAMES EARL RAY, IO NO. FOUR ONE EIGHT TWO, BUT UNABLE TO IDENTIFY HIM.

AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS AND ATLANTA.

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TO:

DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND SAC RICHMOND (44-657)

FROM: SAC DALLAS (44-2649)(2 P)

MURKIN. OO MEMPHIS.

RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU INSTANT DATE.

IT IS NOTED DALLAS IS NOT AS YET IN RECEIPT OF CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU, AM COPY TO DALLAS, APRIL TWENTYFIVE LAST.

RE: THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING.

TODAY A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFO IN PAST, ADVISED THAT JOHN MEDIZER IS NOT IN CONTACT WITH
ANY AND MEMBERS IN DALLAS AS FAR AS HE KNOWS. IT IS NOTED SOURCE
ALSO FURNISHED INFO CONCERNING AND CONFERENCE AT NICHOLASVILLE,
KENTUCKY, APRIL EIGHTEEN LAST, RE TOTAL REORGANIZATION AND AND
FACT THAT STORM TROOPER LIEUTENANT ALVIS GRAY AND HIS WIFE,
DOYNA, ARE NOW RESIDING PERMANENTLY ON AND PROPERTY, SPOTSYLVANIA,
VIRGINIA. GRAY AND WIFE ARE LIVING IN AND CAMPER-TRUCK.

DALLAS CONTINUING INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE INFO RE WHEREABOUTS

MEDIZER.

1 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM) 1 - Atlanta (44-2386)(AM) 1 - Chicago (44-1114)(AM)

2 - Dallas (1 - 44-2649) (1 - 157-1019)(Info)

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RICHMOND, AT SPOTSYLVANIA. LOCATE AND INTERVIEW ALVIS
GRAY AS SET OUT ABOVE FOR ANY INFO RE WHEREABOUTS MEDIZER.
MEMPHIS, ATLANTA, AND CHICAGO ADVISED AM.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P

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> BILLY JOE FAULKNER RE:

The following investigation was conducted at Ozark, Alabama, on April 24, 1968, by Special Agent CLARENCE W. SLAUGHTER:

Records, Dale County Sheriff's Office, show that on November 19, 1967, one BILLY JOE FAULKNER, white male, age 39, 5'10", Midland City, Alabama, was arrested for Public Drunk, Case Number 11603, and Assault with Intent to Murder, Case Number 11604. He was released on bond, November 25, 1967, and on January 3, 1968, he pled guilty to Public Drunk, fined \$10.00 and costs, and On January 3, 1968, the Assault with Intent to Murder charge was reduced to Assault and Battery. FAULKNER pled guilty to this charge and paid \$25.00 and costs.

Deputy DEWEY CHESTNUT, Dale County Sheriff's Office, advised that the Dale County Sheriff's Office holds a Grand Larceny warrant, dated April 5, 1968, for BILLY JOE FAULKNER, same issued by Holmes County, Florida authorities, Bonifay, Florida, and the warrant charges that FAULKNER and one SUE KELLY, also known as SUE KELLY FAULKNER did on April 3, 1968, steal \$348 in cash and currency and \$79.00 in merchandise, the property of EVELYN WOOD and CHARLIE HALL.

CHESTNUT stated that his department had attempted to execute this warrant, but their investigation had determined that FAULKNER is presently not in the Midland City, Alabama area.

CHESTNUT stated that FAULKNER is reportedly a homosexual.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent HOWARD R. LINSCOTT on April 24, 1968:

Mrs. FRANCIS GODWIN, nee FAULKNER, with residence at Route 2, Box 420-A, Dothan, Alabama, advised that her brother, BILLY JOE FAULKNER, a white male, age 40, height 5'10", 180 pounds, gray hair, brown eyes, is presently incarcerated in

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the Dallas County Jail, Dallas, Texas. GODWIN advised that FAULKNER was living with SUE KELLY, a former Pensacola, Florida barmaid who allegedly is with FAULKNER. GODWIN stated that she did not know the circumstances regarding his arrest; however, she stated that she had received a telephone call at her residence from her brother in which he said that he was in jail in Dallas and that it was the fault of SUE KELLY.

GODWIN stated that FAULKNER has a mental condition and has threatened to kill members of the FAULKNER family. She stated that FAULKNER has on occasion assaulted her mother.

GODWIN advised that FAULKNER managed "My Place," a tavern near Graceville, Florida, owned by CHARLES HALL, and has worked in various hispitals in Graceville, Florida and Chipley, Florida as a therapist.

BENNY TICE, Assistant Postmaster, Midland City, Alabama, advised that he is personally acquainted with FAULKNER's family but has not seen BILLY JOE FAULKNER since about March 1, 1968. TICE stated that besides his parents who live on the old Dothan Highway, a sister, DORIS SERBER, lives across the street from her parents, and FAULKNER has a sister Mrs. FRANCIS GODWIN, of Dothan, Alabama. TICE advised that one time FAULKNER worked for a Dr. TYSINGER, Dothan, Alabama, and has done various promotion advertising work in the Dothan, Alabama area.

JOHNNIE DANIEL, Midland City, Alabama, advised that he last saw BILLY JOE FAULKNER approximately two or three weeks ago in Midland City, Alabama.

DANIEL stated that FAULKNER came into his drugstore and mentioned that he was still working in the same area as he was before. which according to DANIEL would be Chipley and Graceville, Florida. DANIEL stated that FAULKNER has worked in various hospitals as an inhalation therapist, a skill that he learned while working in a sanatorium in Texas.

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DANIEL stated that FAULKNER does not have a high school education and that to the best of his knowledge is not a doctor.

DANIEL stated that FAULKNER appears to be mild tempered and to his knowledge, has never been involved in any violence whatsoever.

DANIEL stated that when he last saw him FAULKNER was driving a light green automobile which had Florida tags mounted on it.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent RAYMOND J. MAXWELL on April 24, 1968:

DARLENE HUTTO, Credit Bureau of Dothan, Alabama, advised that BILLY JOE FAULKNER, date of birth was placed in her files in 1950 and there is very little information in the file regarding FAULKNER between the years 1950 and 1960. She stated that in June of 1960, he resided at Route 1, Midland City, Alabama and previously resided in Panama City, Florida. In February of 1964 FAULKNER was divorced from SYBIL FAULKNER; and in May of 1955 he applied for a marriage license to marry BETTY SUE HOBBS, 802 Greenwood Street, Dothan, Alabama. Prior to January of 1959, FAULKNER reportedly was in the military service. In 1959-1960, FAULKNER reported to be a physical therapist throught the training he received while in the military service. The file lists the following employment which was not verified:

American Tobacco Company; Civil Service, Ft. Rucker, Alabama; Montgomery Ward, no location shown; Stan Back Company, as a salesman, no address shown.

She stated that FAULKNER was once listed as being employed at General Hospital, Dothan, Alabama, but stated that the hospital advised the credit bureau that FAULKNER was never employed there. He reportedly worked one time with one Dr. DONALD TYSINGER, Dothan, Alabama. He reported to have attended Troy State College, Troy, Alabama, and the University of Georgia. The file revealed that his father is listed as W.G. FAULKNER, a farmer. The file revealed that he was arrested

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at Panama City, Florida, as follows:

In November of 1949 on a charge of Drunk Driving;

In April of 1954, Drunk and Disorderly Conduct;

In August of 1956 for Road Drunk;

He had an arrest in Dothan, Alabama, in February, 1954, for Breach of Peace.

The file revealed the last inquiry on FAULKNER was in November of 1965 by General Motors Acceptance Corporation, Dothan, Alabama.

Lieutenant JAMES E. DEAL, Dothan Police Department, advised that BILLY JOE FAULKNER, white male, born at Dallas, Texas, height 5'10", weight 160, brown hair, blue eyes, with a tattoo of a horseshoe on his right arm, FBI #725 199 A, was arrested by the Dothan Police Department for investigation on October 8, 1955 and was released. The records do not reflect the nature of the investigation charge at the time of the arrest. FAULKNER was listed as being in the U. S. Army at Fort Rucker, Alabama, and residing at 1209 East Greenwood Street, Dothan, Alabama.

ELAINE LOVE, Circuit Clerk's Office, Dothan, Alabama, advised that BILLY JOE FAULKNER, no other description or address, was arrested in Houston County, Alabama on January 4, 1956, for driving a vehicle without proper lights. She stated that he was arrested February 23, 1954 for Breach of Peace, but the case was nol-prossed.

PEGGY ALBRITTON, Houston County Sheriff's Office, Dothan, Alabama, advised that her files reveal no record identifiable with BILLY JOE FAULKNER.

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| | | RE: Rooming house, 107 14th Street, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia | |
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| | of an inse BILLY JOE as having title. | Enclosed herewith for Atlanta are 25 copies rt reflecting additional investigation conc FAULKNER of Midland City, Ala., who was re resided at the address in the sub-captione Two copies of this insert are being furnismphis Division as office of origin. | erning ported d |
| | Mobile co | No additional investigation is being made bncerning FAULKNER UAC. | У |
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Memorandum

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SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM:

SAS CHARLES PAUL ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Buairtel dated 4/24/68, enclosing a photograph designated as 1A65 in captioned matter.

On 4/26/68, the photograph furnished by the Bureau in referenced airtel was displayed to GARNER in an attempt to effect a possible identification of the photograph with RAY. GARNER stated that he was not acquainted with the individual in the photograph and had no recollection of ever seeing this man. He stated he did not believe it could be RAY.

Mrs. ESTELLE PETERS, Clerk, Piedmont Laundry Branch, located at 1168 Peachtree St., NE, was displayed the above described photograph on 4/26/68, and stated that she did not associate this individual with the individual depositing and picking up laundry on 4/1 and 5/68, utilizing the name ERIC GALT.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO

SAC (44-2386)

DATE: 4/26/68

FROM:

SAs CHARLES PAUL ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE

SUBJECT:

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(00: MEMPHIS)

On 4/25/68, SAs JOHN E. OGDEN, ROBERT MICHAEL KANE and CHARLES PAUL ROSE contacted JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, 107 14th Street, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., in an attempt to elicit additional information. GARNER was in a heavily intoxicated condition and capable of incoherent speech, and no information was obtainable.

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DATE:

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FROM :

SAS CHARLES PAUL ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE

SUBJECT:

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On 4/24/68, all service stations on 14th Street between Peachtree and the Expressway, I-75 and I-85, and 10th Street, were contacted and photographs of JAMES EARL RAY were displayed to managers and attendants, as well as a description of the 1966 Mustang driven by RAY, with negative results.

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DATE: 4/26/68

FROM:

SAS CHARLES P. ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE

SUBJECT:

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The following investigation was conducted by SAS THOMAS C. RENAGHAN, JR., RICHARD E. FUGATT, HUGH ROBINSON, TOM BARRETT, CHARLES P. ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE:

On 4/22 and 23/68, an exhaustive door-to-door neighborhood investigation was conducted in the area between West Peachtree, Peachtree Street, and 15th to 12th Streets. addition, all appropriate business establishments on Peachtree Street were contacted between 14th and 10th Streets, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

Photographs of RAY were furnished all persons contacted with negative results.

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DATE:

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FROM

SAS CHARLES PAUL ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE

SUBJECT:

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The following investigation was conducted by SAs ROBERT MICHAEL KANE and CHARLES PAUL ROSE on 4/24 and 25/68:

A survey of three blocks in each direction from the residence located at 113 14th Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, was conducted in an effort to locate any storage garages. It was determined that there are no storage garages as such in this area but open parking lots in the rear of business establishments and apartment buildings are numerous. Individuals responsible for control of unauthorized parking in the respective lots located in this area were contacted in an attempt to develop any information concerning any car parked for extensive period on unauthorized basis that may have been related to RAY with negative results.

All persons contacted were displayed photographs of RAY with negative results.

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DATE: 4/26/68

FROM:

SA ROBERT MICHAEL KANE

SUBJECT:

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JIMMIE DELTON GARNER was contacted by SAs CHARLES PAUL ROSE and ROBERT MICHAEL KANE and a review of his ledger book was conducted. In noting the ledger sheet for WILLIAM G. FAULKNER and his son, BILLY FAULKNER, in March, 1967, GARNER stated that this entry was in the handwriting of his sister, ROBBIE GARNER. He described the younger FAULKNER, BILLY, as a"kid around 20 years of age and black headed." GARNER further advised that he recalled a tenant named WILLIAM EARNEST HARPER as living in Room 8 at 107 14th Street, N. E., around the time that FAULKNER roomed in that residence. He described HARPER as being around 50 years of age, perhaps closer to 60, and a tenant who missed paying the rent during one week period of his stay. The ledger shows that HARPER came to 107 14th St. on 1/22/68, and his last week's payment was 2/19/68. GARNER advised that HARPER worked on the boiler downstairs at 107 and repaired it, and GARNER did not require him to pay this week's rent as a result of this labor.

GARNER commented that BILLY FAULKNER, the roomer in 1968, was definitely a young man, no more than 20 or 21 years of age, and impressed him as being a "very nice" young man. He definitely stated that he was not a man of 40 years of age. He stated that he assumed, to the best of his recollection, that the BILLY FAULKNER who was a resident in 1967 was one and the same as the roomer in 1968, but he could not be positive.

GARNER also advised that the recent entries on his ledger sheet for 1968 showing residence of FAULKNER and HARPER are in his, GARNER's, handwriting. He further advised that he was certain in his mind that FAULKNER and HARPER were 4 + 2386 + 422

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from the same area of the country which he believed to be in vicinity of Columbus, Georgia. He also pointed out that he was definitely sober when FAULKNER came to his roominghouse on 4/2/68.

In reference to ledger sheet showing roomer, DONALD RAY, GARNER pointed out that the heading of this ledger sheet, "R. G. DONALD RAY", meant that his sister, ROBBIE GARNER, represented the initials R. G. before the name DONALD RAY. GARNER further advised that this roomer, RAY, paid \$15.45 and began room and board on 3/25/67. He pointed out that at the time of RAY's residence, he was offering meals but discontinued this practice shortly after RAY had left. He stated that he was certain from his ledgers that RAY was only there for a period of one week, beginning 3/25/67.

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| | RE: | MURKIN CR | • |
| | | RE CARS STOLEN FROM STATE OF GEORGIA | • |
| | | Re Atlanta airtel to the Bureau, 4/22/68. | |
| | | In connection with the leads set forth in ced airtel the following investigation was conducted San Antonio Division: | į |
| | On 4/23/68 GEORGE HETZEL, NCIC Section, and DON OVERSTREET, Modus Operandi Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, advised that no central index is maintained by Department of Public Safety that will reflect stolen cars recovered in Texas that were reported stolen in the State of Georgia. | | |
| · | Motor Ve of regis | HETZEL stated that a normal check on a recovered ile with an out-of-state license would be with the chicle Division or State Police of the state stration. That agency should have records of all vehicles recovered that were registered by that | |
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Special Agent in Charge

SA 44-1242 On 4/23/68 BRYAN CLARK, National Auto Theft Bureau (NATB), Dallas, Texas, advised SA MANNING CLEMENS of the Dallas Office that a check of his records reflects that no cars have been recovered in Texas since 4-4-68 which were stolen at Georgia which were insured by the insurance companies supporting NATB. The 26 files of the San Antonio Division in which San Antonio is origin and which have been opened since 4/4/68 were reviewed with negative results concerning cars recovered which were stolen in Georgia with the following exception: In a case entitled "Pvt. E-2 JAMES ALLEN BOHNE; Pvt. E-2 WILLIAM HARRY BULLARD, III; Pvt. E-2 ROBERT BRUCE CLAUHSEN; SP/4 THOMAS EDWARD GIBBS; Pvt. E-2 DAVID EDWARD PRIME. ITSMV", San Antonio file 26-26817, Savannah file 26-24751, it was reported that subjects went AWOL from Fort Stewart, Georgia, 4/5/68, and used a 1964 black Ford pickup to travel to Texas where they were apprehended and released to military control. However, it is not believed necessary to conduct any further investigation in that particular case inasmuch as subjects reportedly went AWOL on 4/5/68 from Fort Stewart,

Atlanta and Savanna, if not already done, should consider checking with NCIC and Motor Vehicle Division or State Police in Georgia to obtain identities of cars stolen in Georgia and reportedly recovered elsewhere. Further, those offices who have not already done so should consider review of all 26 files opened in those offices since 4/4/68.

San Antonio is conducting no further investigation in this phase of this case, UAC.

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TO DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES AND HOUSTON FROM NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) 11 PAGES

MURKIN.

INVESTIGATION RE MOTELS AND LODGING PLACES ALONG CHEF MENTEUR HIGHWAY.

INVESTIGATION AT ALL MOTELS AND LODGING PLACES

ALONG CHEF MENTEUR HIGHWAY FROM THE GENTILLY SHOPPING CENTER

TO THE INTERSECTION OF U. S. HIGHWAY NINETY AND HIGHWAY

ELÈVEN WHICH IS THE MOST LOGICAL AREA THAT RAY WOULD HAVE

SELECTED A LODGING PLACE DURING THE THREE SEVENTEEN - TWENTYFOUR

SIXTYEIGHT PERIOD NOW COMPLETED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING DELTA AIRLINES FLIGHT

SEVEN TWO FIVE, APRIL, ONE SIXTYEIGHT, WHERE ON WAS

REPORTED RIFLE BOX LABELED "MAUSER UNDER CONTROL

OF FLIGHT CAPTAIN."

MAX K. JONES ADVISED THAT HE WAS ASSIGNED AS FIRST OFFICER OF DELTA AIRLINES FLIGHT SEVEN TWO FIVE ONE FOUR ONE SIXTYEIGHT WHICH FLIGHT ORIGINATED FROM NEWARK, NEW JERSEY AND TRAVELED TO NEW ORLEANS WITH STOPS AT VASHINGTON, D. C., ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM. JONES RECALLS THAT A STEWARDESS HAD BROUGHT A BOX CONTAINING A GUN TO THE CABIN OF THE PLANE. HE SAID THAT THE BOX WAS LARGE ENOUGH IN SIZE TO CARRY

A PRIFLE. JONES STATED IT IS NORMAL POLICY TO PUT ANY
WEAPONS CARRIED BY PASSENGERS IN THE PILOT CABIN. JONES UPON
VIEWING PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY STATED HE DID
NOT RECOGNIZE RAY.

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RE: TELEPHONE CALL FROM PHONE BOOTH, HOUSTON, TEXAS, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN SIXTYSEVEN, TO LAKE CHARLES, LA.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, TELEPHONE COMPANY, LAKE CHARLES, LA., SHOWS THAT PHONE NUMBER, AREA CODE THREE ONE EIGHT, FOUR SEVEN SEVEN DASH ZERO SIX ONE SIX, IS THAT OF HERTZ RENT A CAR, MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, LAKE CHARLES, LA., AND THEY HAVE HAD THAT NUMBER FOR WELL OVER THREE YEARS.

TELEPHONE LOG AT HERTZ OFFICE DOES NOT SHOW ANY INCOMING CALLS FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS OR OUTGOING TO HOUSTON, TEXAS DURING PERIOD DECEMBER FIFTEEN THROUGH SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN. EMPLOYEES DO NOT REMEMBER RECEIVING SUCH A CALL. REVIEW OF HERTZ RECORDS DECEMBER FIFTEEN THROUGH SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN SHOWS ONLY RENTALS IN AND OUT OF LAKE CHARLES TO PERSONS WITH COMPANY CREDIT CARDS ALL KNOWN TO HERTZ EMPLOYEES. PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY SHOWN TO HERTZ EMPLOYEES. RAY UNKNOWN TO ANY EMPLOYEE AND EACH ADVISED THEY DO NOT RECALL HAVING RENTED CAR TO ANY SUCH PERSON.

RAY REGISTERED AT PROVINCIAL MOTEL, NEW ORLEANS,

LA., ON DEC. SEVENTEEN, SIXTYSEVEN, UNDER NAME ERIC S. GALT.

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RE ANTHONY CHARLES DECARVELHO, FRIEND OF CHARLES STEIN.

DECARVELHO INTERVIEWED FOUR TWENTYSIX SIXTYEIGHT AND ADVISED THAT CHARLES STEIN WAS IN NEW ORLEANS THE WEEK BEFORE DECEMBER, TWENTYFOUR, LAST. ON UNRECALLED DATE HE FOUND A NOTE IN HIS DOORWAY FROM STEIN, AND THAT EVEING HE MET STEIN AT RESIDENCE OF MARIE LEE. HE HAS KNOWN STEIN FOR APPROXIMATELY TWENTY YEARS. AND IS A CLOSE FRIEND OF STEIN.

DECARVELHO ADVISED THAT STEIN WAS WEARING A BEARD,
WHILE HE WAS IN NEW ORLEANS, AND HE AND STEIN HELD NUMEROUS
CONVERSATIONS CONCERNING THE "COSMIC PHILOSOPHY", WHICH
DEALS WITH FLYING SAUCERS, SPACE PEOPLE ON EARTH, AND
ATTEMPTS TO GET CLOSER TO THE CREATOR. DECARVELHO STATED
THAT STEIN IS A BELIEVER IN THIS PHILOSOPHY, AND TRIED TO
CONVERT HIM.

DECARVELHO STATED THAT STEIN ADVISED "THE CREATOR PROVIDED FOR ME", IN REFERENCE TO HIS TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS.

DECARVELHO ADVISED THAT STEIN CLAIMED AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE HAD JUST MET, NAMED GALT, HAD DRIVEN HIM TO NEW ORLEANS, AND HE WAS REFERRING TO THIS INDIVIDUAL WHEN SPEAKING ABOUT THE CREATOR PROVIDING FOR HIM. STEIN ADVISED DECARVELHO END PAGE FOUR

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THAT GALT WAS TRAVELLING THROUGH NEW ORLEANS TO A NEIGHBORING STATE, EITHER MISSISSIPPI OR ALABAMA, ON BUSINESS, AND WAS TO PICK UP STEIN AND TAKE HIM BACK TO LOS ANGELES, AFTER COMPLETION OF HIS BUSINESS.

DECARVELHO STATED THAT STEIN LEFT LOS ANGELES WITH APPROXIMATELY THIRTY DOLLARS, AND THAT GALT PAID FOR EVERYTHING ON THE TRIP. STEIN ADVISED DECARVELHO THAT HE FELT HE WAS ON THE THRESHOLD OF CONVERTING GALT TO THE "COSMIC PHILOSOPHY", AND HOPED TO COMPLETE THIS CONVERSION ON THE RETURN TRIP TO LOS ANGELES.

DECARVELHO STATED ON THE DAY STEIN LEFT NEW ORLEANS, DECARVELHO DROVE TO MARIE LEE'S RESIDENCE TO SAY GOOD-BYE. AS HE WALKED UP TO THIS HOUSE, HE OBSERVED AN INDIVIDUAL STANDING ON THE FRONT STEPS AND CHAPLES STEIN TOLD HIM, THIS IS GALT.

DECARVELHO AND GALT DID NOT HOLD A CONVERSATION, AND GALT REMAINED ON THE STEPS AS DECARVELHO AND STEIN CARRIED SUTICASES
TO GALT'S WHITE MUSTANG.

DECARVELHO STATED THAT GALT HAD SOME PERSONAL ITEMS

IN THE TRUNK, WHICH HAD TO BE MOVED BEFORE THE LUGGACE FOR

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RITA STEIN'S TWO CHILDRE!, COULD BE PLACED IN THE TRUNK,

AND GALT WALKED FROM THE PORCH AND RE-ARRANGED THE TRUNK

TO MAKE ROOM FOR THIS LUGGAGE. DECARVELHO STATED HE

OBSERVED SOMETHING THAT APPEARED TO BE A SURVEYOR'S

TRANSIT, THAT WAS WRAPPED IN A BROWN LEATHER CASE,

SIMILAR TO A GOLF BAG. HE NOTICED NOTHING ELSE

UMUSUAL IN THE TRUNK. DECARVELHO ADVISED HE GAVE

STEIN AND GALT A MAP WITH DIRECTIONS TO GET OUT OF

THE CITY. AND THEY LEFT IMMEDIATELY.

DECARVELHO STATED THAT GALT DOES NOT RESEMBLE

THE PICTURE TAKEN AT THE BARTENDER SCHOOL IN LOS ANGELES.

HE STATED GALT'S FACE IS MUCH MORE SHALLOW.

HE DESCRIBED GALT AS A WHITE MALE, LATE TWENTIES

OR THIRTIES, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE SIX ZERO POUNDS, SLIM
BUILD, DARK HAIR, LIGHT BROWN EYES, WITH NO DISTINGUISHING
MARKS OR CHARACTERISTICS. DECARVELHO ADVISED THE PHOTOGRAPH
THAT APPEARS ON THE IO AND WANTED FLYER THAT WAS TAKEN IN
ONE NINE SIX ZERO, IS A GOOD LIKENESS OF GALT WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF THE SHORT HAIR.

DECARVELHO ADVISED THAT HE HAS NOT HEARD FROM END PAGE SIX

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STEIN SINCE THIS TIME, AND ALSO HAS NOT SEEN ANY MEMBER OF STEIN'S FAMILY SINCE THIS TIME. DECARVELHO STATED THAT STEIN, BY HIS VERY NATURE, WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO FURNISH INFORMATION TO ANY POLICE AGENCY, AND THAT STEIN WAS FORMERLY MARRIED TO MICKIE MEDINA.

- RE: CHARLES STEIN. JR.

STEIN INTERVIEWED NEW ORLEANS OFFICE FOUR TWENTYSIX

SIXTYEIGHT, ADVISED BELIEVES MET FATHER, CHARLES STEIN.

SUMDAY WEEK PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS (PROBABLY DECEMBER SEVENTEENTH)

AT RESIDENCE OF AUNT MARIE STEIN LEE IN NEW ORLEANS, LA.

HE INCUIRED AS TO HOW FATHER ARRIVED IN NEW ORLEANS AND

WAS ADVISED THAT HE GOT A RIDE AND FATHER STATED WAS GOING TO

STAY ONE OR TWO DAYS AT MOST. STATES NO CONVERSATION

CONCERNING NAME ERIC OR GALT BY FATHER ON THAT DATE OR THE

FOLLOWING DAY WHEN HE AGAIN SAW HIS FATHER AT THE SAME ADDRESS.

DID NOT SEE RAY ON ANY OCCASION AND COULD NOT IDENTIFY PHOTOS

OF RAY. MOTHER'S MARRIED NAME MARIE MCLEOD AND BOTH RESIDE

THREE FOUR THREE SIX PEOPLES AVENUE, NEW ORLEANS.

MRS. MARIE MCLEOD ADVISED DID NOT SEE EX HUSBAND STEIN AT ANY TIME WHILE HE WAS IN NEW ORLEANS DURING DECEMBER SIXTYSEVEN. STATED HAS NEVER SEEN ANYONE RESEMBLING PHOTO OF GALT OR RAY AS SEEN FROM NEW ORLEANS NEWSPAPERS.

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING DAILY DELTA AIRLINES

FLIGHT ONE ZERO SIX WHICH LEAVES NEW ORLEANS FOR FRANKFORT,

GERMANY WITH STOPS AT ATLANTA AND WASHINGTON. DC.

ALL CREWS MEMBERS RE DELTA FLIGHT ONE ZERO SIX FOR APRIL FIVE AND SIX. SIXTYEIGHT INTERVIEWED AND DISPLAYED PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY AND ALL ADVISED THAT THEY COULD MOT IDENTIFY ANYONE ABOARD FOR THOSE DATES. WITH EXCEPTION OF STEWARDESS RITA REHKOPF. REHKOPF ADVISED THAT UPON REVIEW OF PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL THEREIN APPEARED SIMILAR TO A PASSENGER WHO SAT IN THE LAST THREE ROWS ON THE RIGHT OF THE ONES FACING THE FRONT OF THE PLAME. REHKOPF UNABLE TO REMEMBER WHERE THIS PERSON GOT OFF BUT THINKS HE BOARDED IN NEW ORLEANS. SHE DESCRIBED HIM AS A WHITE MALE, FORTY - FORTY TWO, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, MEDIUM BUILD AND COMPLAXION, DARK AHIR, CURLY AND COMBED BACK, WEARING SHABBY CLOTHES. OTHER DELTA AIRLINE PERSONNEL INTERVIEWED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS PHASE OF INVESTIGATION AND INDICATED REHKOPF IS FLIGHTY AND EMOTIONAL.

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