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Via TELETYPE

URGENT

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TO: LOS ANGELES

SENT BY CODED TELETYPE

FROM: BALTIMORE (44-669)

MURKIN, OO:MEMPHIS.

RE: LOOK-A-LIKE [REDACTED]

RE LOS ANGELES TEL [REDACTED] FOUR TWENTYTHREE [REDACTED]
 ON FOUR TWENTYFOUR [REDACTED] MRS. WINFRID VIKTOR OXFORD,
 EIGHT THREE ONE THREE NICHOLSON STREET, HYATTSVILLE, WAS
 CONTACTED BY SA ROY C. WETZEL. SHE ADVISED THAT HER BROTHER
 WERNER W. GOHL, SIX TWO NINE WEST EIGHTEENTH STREET, LOS
 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA WAS THE OWNER OF A DARK GREEN CHEVY TWO,
 WHICH PREVIOUSLY HAD SIXTYSEVEN MARYLAND LICENSE F J ONE
 FOUR FIVE ZERO. MR. GOHL IS EMPLOYED AS A PAINTER AND PAPER
 HANGER IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA, AND APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR
 AGO WAS WORKING FOR A MR. TRICK AT TELEPHONE NUMBER SY EIGHT
 NINE EIGHT SIX FIVE.

1-BALTIMORE
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MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

BALTIMORE, MD. 21201

TELEPHONE 539-6370

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100 RITCHIE HIGHWAY
6714 REISTERSTOWN RD.
42 WEST RIDGELY RD.

April 23, 1968

Mr. Edwin R. Tully
Special Agent In Charge
United States Department Of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
408 Main Post Office Building
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Tully:

Our records do not indicate an account of any type or safe deposit box in the name of Eric Starvo Galt.

If you can furnish us with any additional information concerning this matter, we will be glad to recheck our files.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret A. Coleman

(Mrs.) Margaret A. Coleman
Assistant Manager
Central Office

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Memorandum

TO : SAC BALTIMORE (170-241)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA JOHN T. BROOK

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM M. GREEN
R--(Prob) (GHETTO)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

☐

Dates of Contact 4/8, 9, 10, 11/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
MURKIN		44-669
RACIAL DISTURBANCES FOLLOWING DEATH OF REV. MARTIN LUTHUR KING, JR., WILMINGTON, DEL.		157-833
Purpose and results of contact		
☒ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC		
Source could furnish no information of value re above, but stated would remain alert for any information of value.		
☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage racial matters

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Memorandum

TO : SAC BALTIMORE (170-318)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA JOHN T. BROOK

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: SIDNEY FORMAN
R*PROB (GHEETO)

Dates of Contact		
4/19, 20/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
MURKIN 44-669		
RACIAL DISTURBANCES FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF REV.		
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 157-833		
Purpose and results of contact		
☒ NEGATIVE		
☐ POSITIVE		
☐ STATISTIC		
Source could furnish no information of value re above, but stated that he would remain alert for any information of value.		
☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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Memorandum

TO : SAC BALTIMORE 170-238

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA JOHN T. BROOK

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: REGINA BILINSKI
R PROB - (GHETTO)

Dates of Contact 4/8, 9, 10, 11/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
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Purpose and results of contact		
☒ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC		
Source could furnish no information of value re above, but stated that would remain alert for any information of value.		
☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage racial matters

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TO : SAC BALTIMORE (170-245)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA JOHN T. BROOK

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: ANNA TYSOWSKY
R*PROB (CHETTO)

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Dates of Contact 4/8, 9, 10, 11/68		
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MARTIN LUTHUR KING, JR., WILMINGTON, DELAWARE		157
Purpose and results of contact		
☒ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC		
Source could furnish no information of value re above, but stated that would remain alert for any information of value.		
☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage racial matters
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Memorandum

TO : SAC BALTIMORE (170-239)

DATE: 4/22/68

FROM : SA JOHN T. BROOK

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ R (Prob)
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: DAVE BALICK
R PROB*(GHTTTO)

Dates of Contact 4/8, 9, 10, 11/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted <u>MURKIN</u> <u>RACIAL DISTURBANCES FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF REV.</u> <u>MARTIN LUTHUR KING, JR., WILMINGTON, DEL.</u>		
		44-669 157-833
Purpose and results of contact ☒ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC Source could furnish no information of value re above, but stated that would remain alert for any information of value.		
☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage racial matters
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FBI NEW YORK

4:59 PM URGENT 4-23-68 AWS

TO DIRECTOR, ST LOUIS, MIAMI, BALTIMORE AND MEMPHIS

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS; OO: ME.

RE: JOHN LARRY RAY

RE SF TEL TO WA, DATED APRIL TWENTY TWO LAST AS TO JOHN LARRY RAY OF WHICH ST. LOUIS RECEIVED A COPY.

RECORDS OF CONCORD HOTEL, KIAMESHA LAKE, NEW YORK. SHOW THAT JOHN, RAY, DOB, [REDACTED]

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS EMPLOYED THERE FROM JANUARY TWENTY, NINETEEN SIXTYFIVE TO JANUARY TWENTY FOUR NINETEEN SIXTY FIVE AS A PORTER. HE LISTED HIS FATHER AS JAMES RAY, ONE EIGHT ZERO SIX PARK AVENUE, ST. LOUIS, MO., AND A PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT AT THE EVERGLADES, FLAMINGO, FLORIDA.

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LEADS: MM AND LS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE JAMES EARLY RAY'S BROTHER
IN YOUR DIVISION OR INFORMATION AS TO HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO CONSIDER INSTRUCTING BALTIMORE TO
CHECK SOURCE FOUR AS TO JOHN RAY.

JAMES EARL RAY ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI ST LOUIS

438PM URGENT 4-23-68 MPB

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, MIAMI, BALTIMORE, AND KANSAS CITY.
FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

✓
MURKIN.

RE: JOHN LARRY RAY.

RE NEW YORK TEL TO ABOVE THIS DATE. SUBJECT'S BROTHER
JOHN LARRY RAY LOCATED ST. LOUIS.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : ROBERT J. WILLHIDE (CLERK)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

AT APPROXIMATELY 5:00 AM THIS DATE, THIS OFFICE WAS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED BY SA DICK BATES, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, FBI WASHINGTON, WHO ADVISED, DANIEL DAVID KENNEDY, 548 EAST 38th ST., BALTO., MD., TELEPHONE 467-8819, HAD BEEN ARRESTED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES IN MEXICO THIS DATE. KENNEDY FITS GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SUSPECT JAMES EARL RAY.

SA BATES REQUESTED BA INDICES BE SEARCHED FOR ANY INFORMATION ON KENNEDY. A CHECK OF THE BA INDICES REFLECTS SEVERAL REFERENCES ON KENNEDY AND THESE ARE TO BE HAND CARRIED TO THE BUREAU 4/25/68. THESE SERIALS SHOULD BE SENT ATTENTION SA RICHARD LONG, DIVISION 6, ROOM 2712.

*Handled &
Serials sent
this am.
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RJB*

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5-38 PM URGENT 4-23-68 KH SENT BY CODED TELETYPE

TO BALTIMORE PLAIN TEXT

BALTIMORE VIA WASHINGTON

FROM LOS ANGELES 44-1574

✓ MURKIN.

RE --- LOOK-A-LIKE.

PAUL BOONE, COMPLAINANT, ADVISED APRIL TWENTY TWO
LAST HE OBSERVED CHEVROLET TWO BEARING MARYLAND LICENSE
FJ ONE FOUR FIVE ZERO IN LOS ANGELES DRIVEN BY LOOK-A-LIKE
OF JAMES EARL RAY. BALTIMORE REQUESTED TO DETERMINE
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE, IDENTITY AND ADDRESS OF INDIVIDUAL
OPERATING VEHICLE IN LOS ANGELES. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669) P
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype to Baltimore, dated 4/16/68.

On April 18, 1968, CLARENCE L. BLACKBURN, #56984, Maryland House of Correction, Jessup, Maryland, advised that he believed the killer of Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING to be, one, JAMES VAUGHN (phonetic), aka "Buddy". BLACKBURN worked with VAUGHN in late 1965 or early 1966 in the Washington, D.C., area out of Carpenter's Local #132. BLACKBURN said that VAUGHN is a native of Memphis, Tennessee and has a lengthy police record there. He stated that VAUGHN once told him that "If KING ever came to Memphis, he would never leave there alive".

BLACKBURN described VAUGHN as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	26-30
Height:	6'
Weight:	165
Hair:	Brown hair which is combed back
Characteristics:	Long Nose

He said that VAUGHN is a heavy drinker and could be regarded as a loner. He also stated that VAUGHN is a neat dresser. VAUGHN also has a silly smile which BLACKBURN stated was the reason he wrote the letter to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, feeling that VAUGHN was

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2-Memphis (REGISTERED AIR MAIL)
2-Baltimore

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the one who killed Doctor KING. BLACKBURN indicated that VAUGHN had once told him that "He had shot at people in Memphis" before leaving there in 1965.

VAUGHN allegedly has a brother-in-law in Norfolk, Virginia, named THOMAS BRENT (phonetic), address unknown.

BRENT is described as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Approximately 37
Height:	5'6"
Weight:	150-160
Hair:	Brown - worn in a flat top
Marital Status:	Married
Wife's Name:	ANN

BLACKBURN stated that VAUGHN is to be in Norfolk with his brother-in-law at present, although he could furnish no address for either party and requested that the interviewing Agent attempt to obtain BLACKBURN'S release from the Maryland House of Correction, so that he could go to Norfolk and locate VAUGHN.

A review of BLACKBURN'S medical record at the Maryland House of Correction, Jessup, Maryland, reflected that a prison psychiatrist considered him as "emotionally unstable with a tendency to exaggerate on things which he has very little knowledge of".

On April 19, 1968, Mrs. IDA WASHBURN, Carpenter's Local #132, Washington, D.C., was telephonically contacted and she advised that her records reflected that CLARENCE BLACKBURN was a member of Local #132 in late 1965 and early 1966 but that there is no record of any JAMES VAUGHN under all conceivable spellings, as having been a member of that Local at that time. Mrs. WASHBURN stated, however, that it is possible that if VAUGHN did work out of Local #132, he may have only obtained a work permit and not a full membership, in which case, he would not be carried on their records.

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On April 22, 1968, Miss VIOLA WOOD, District Council of Carpenter's Locals, Washington, D.C., advised that her files reflected no JAMES VAUGHN under any conceivable spellings as having been a member of any Carpenter's Local in the Washington, D.C., area in either 1965 or 1966.

LEADS:

MEMPHIS DIVISION

AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Will determine through the Memphis Police Department that such a person as JAMES VAUGHN (phonetic) exists, and if he could be considered involved in any manner in the conspiracy. If VAUGHN is found to be a suspect, Memphis should set forth appropriate leads to attempt to locate him.

FBI BALTO

FBI BIRMGHAM

703 PM URGENT 4-22-68 GDM
TO DIRECTOR AND BALTIMORE
FROM BIRMINGHAM. 844-1740) (P)

✓MURKIN; CR; OO: MEMPHIS.

RE NEW YORK AIRTEL TO BUREAU, APRIL ONE EIGHT, SIXTYEIGHT.
THOMAS JOSEPH COX, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BORN NEW JERSEY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS REPORTED BY BIRMINGHAM INFORMANTS TO BE IN CONTACT WITH
RAY SEPTEMBER ONE FIVE, SIXTYSEVEN. AMERICAN BULK CARRIERS,
NEW YORK, NEW YORK, ADVISED COX EMPLOYED BY THAT COMPANY AS ABLE
SEAMAN, RETURNED TO DESTREHAN, LOUISIANA, AUGUST ONE, SIXTYSEVEN.
NO RECORD SINCE THAT DATE. BALTIMORE THROUGH SOURCE FOUR WILL
OBTAIN MOST RECENT EMPLOYMENT OF COX AND ADVISE UACB.

AIRMAIL COPIES FURNISHED MEMPHIS AND HOUSTON.

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FBI BALTO

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*Per Tel Memphis
and Houston
Hap
Simpson*

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: ✓ MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

For the information of receiving offices, Subject JAMES EARL RAY, Aka. was last known to be in the Atlanta, Georgia, area on 4/5/68. Intensive investigation by the Atlanta Office to date has not established mode of transportation utilized by RAY after 4/5/68 through checks with transportation companies, car rental agencies, etc.

3 - Bureau	2 - Miami
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2 - Charlotte	2 - New Orleans
2 - Chicago	2 - New York City
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AT 44-2386

All receiving offices are requested to check car recoveries within their respective divisions of cars stolen from the State of Georgia subsequent to 4/4/68, and consider same to have been possible mode of transportation for Subject RAY. The same consideration should be given to any cars recovered in the near future that were stolen from the State of Georgia after 4/4/68. In those instances where cars were stolen from Georgia and where the transporter of same cannot otherwise be accounted for, investigation should be conducted to determine if RAY was person who may have stolen and transported same.

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md license
FJ 1450

Chevrolet II

1967 registration

1965 Chevy 2dr sedan

Werner Wilhelm Gohl

+ Winfried Viktor OXFORT

8313 Nicholson Street

Hyattsville PG County Maryland

1968

1961 7dr hardtop Mercury

Marcella Virginia Kruba

1929 Searles Road

Baltimore County

Balt

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Joyce Whittington

DMV

Indices negative on all three names

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THOMAS R. CHERIGO

MURKIN

On 4/23/68, Baltimore Office telephonically contacted by HAROLD WEISBERG, Rt. 8, Old Receiver Rd., Frederick, Md., telephone #473-8186, who advised that he was writing a book on the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. He stated that he has photographs taken in the vicinity of the assassination in Dallas, Texas. One of these photographs, which Mr. WEISBERG recently had enlarged, shows an individual whom he stated bears a strong resemblance to the artist's sketch of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING's assassin. He stated that he will have copies of the enlargement and the sketch at his home-office and also that he turned over one of the copies to the editor of the Frederick News Post.

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FROM : THOMAS R. CHERIGO

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

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FBI SPRNGFLD

754PM URGENT 4-24-68 DJK

TO DIRECTOR, CHICAGO, BALTIMORE AND ST. LOUIS
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561) 6PP

✓MURKIN

MEDICAL RECORDS, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, INDICATE JAMES RAY, AGE TEN IN NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, TREATED FOR AN EPILEPTIC SEIZURE. ADDRESS AT THAT TIME AND OTHER RECORD INFORMATION INDICATES THIS IS PROBABLY SUBJECT.

RUBY CARPENTER, EX-SECOND WIFE OF SUBJECT'S FATHER, LOCATED, INTERVIEWED, AT QUINCY ADVISED FATHER'S TRUE NAME IS JAMES GERALD RAY, AKA JERRY, AND RESIDED AUGUST, NINETEEN SIXTYONE TO AUGUST, NINETEEN SIXTY THREE AT RURAL ROUTE ONE, CLARENCE, MISSOURI, AFTER WHICH HE MOVED TO PRESENT RESIDENCE CENTER, MISSOURI. HE RESIDED IN ST. LOUIS FROM NINETEEN FIFTY TWO THROUGH NINETEEN SIXTY ONE AT FOUR ONE FOUR NINE WEST PINE. SUBJECT RESIDED WITH FATHER APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN FIFTY NINE AT FOUR ONE FOUR NINE WEST PINE STREET DURING WHICH TIME HE WORKED AS BAKER AT UNKNOWN COMMERCIAL BAKERY. END PAGE ONE

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BAKERY IN ST. LOUIS. ON OCCASIONS SUBJECT RESIDED WITH MOTHER, ONE NINE ONE THREE HICKORY STREET, ST. LOUIS AND ALSO HAD ROOM IN ST. LOUIS, ADDRESS UNKNOWN. RUBY HAS NOT SEEN SUBJECT SINCE NINETEEN SIXTY ONE AND HIS ASSOCIATES ARE UNKNOWN TO HER. ACCORDING TO RUBY, SUBJECT NEVER MARRIED, WAS CLOSER TO BROTHERS, JERRY AND JOHN, THAN TO ANYONE ELSE. SINCE LEARNING OF SUBJECT'S INVOLVEMENT IN MURKIN, RUBY HAS TALKED TO HIS FATHER AT CENTER, MISSOURI, ON APRIL TWENTY ONE LAST, AT WHICH TIME HE ADVISED HE DID NOT KNOW SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS AND HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH HIM. RUBY TALKED TO SUBJECT'S SISTER, MELBA MARIE RYAN, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, AND MELBA LIKEWISE INDICATED NO INFORMATION CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS. RUBY BELIEVES SOMETIME DURING EARLY NINETEEN FORTIES SUBJECT'S FATHER RESIDED GALESBURG, ILLINOIS, WHERE EMPLOYED AS SWITCHMAN FOR CG AND Q RAILROAD. SHE PROMISED TO COOPERATE AND REPORT SUBJECT IF LOCATED.

RECORDS, QUINCY COMPRESSOR, QUINCY, ILLINOIS, INDICATE SUBJECT EMPLOYED AUGUST SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY ONE, THROUGH

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SEPTEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN FIFTY ONE, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

NO

ONE LOCATED WHO RECALLS. RECORDS INDICATE PRIOR EMPLOYMENT
AVERY OR ARVEY CORPORATION, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AS LABORER
FOR ONE YEAR AND NEO PRODUCE COMPANY, CHICAGO, FOUR MONTHS,
DATES NOT SHOWN.

RECORDS, SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD NUMBER ONE,
QUINCY, SHOW SUBJECT REGISTERED APRIL THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY
NINE, AT WHICH TIME OCCUPATION STUDENT, AMERICAN TELEVISION
SCHOOL, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

ADVISED SUBJECT CLOSEST TO BROTHERS, JOHN AND JERRY, AND HE
IS CERTAIN THEY WOULD PROTECT HIM.

HAZEL HAMILTON, CASE WORKER, CATHOLIC CHARITIES, QUINCY,
ILLINOIS, ADVISED FAMILY RESIDED DES MOINES, IOWA, SHORT
PERIOD OF TIME NINETEEN FORTY TWO TO NINETEEN FORTY THREE
AFTER WHICH MOVED TO QUINCY, ILLINOIS. PRIOR TO DES MOINES
RESIDENCE, FAMILY LEFT EWING, MISSOURI.

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ADAMS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT RECORDS INDICATE WHEN SUBJECT ARRESTED ALTON, ILLINOIS, AUGUST TWENTY, NINETEEN FIFTY NINE ON CHARGE ARMED ROBBERY HE HAD ACCOMPLICE, JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN. THESE RECORDS ALSO INDICATE SUBJECT'S FATHER AS JERRY RAYNES, RESIDED ONE SEVEN TWO SEVEN SOUTH ELEVENTH STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JANUARY TWENTY EIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTY. PRIOR RESIDENCE FOUR ONE FOUR NINE WEST PINE STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, OCTOBER SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT. RECORDS ALSO INDICATE MOTHER AS LUCILLE RYAN RESIDED ONE ONE THREE FIVE SOUTH TENTH, APARTMENT EIGHT, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, AS OF OCTOBER SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT, AND ONE NINE ONE THREE HICKORY STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, AUGUST NINE, NINETEEN FIFTY NINE. THESE RECORDS SHOW CHILDREN MELBA, CAROLE, AND FRANKLIN, WHO ARE SISTERS AND BROTHER OF SUBJECT, ALL BORN LEWIS COUNTY, MISSOURI. RECORDS FURTHER INDICATE FATHER EMPLOYED FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS BY JACK RANDOLPH, J AND R AUTO SALES, FIVE NINE ZERO ONE SOUTH BROADWAY, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

SI ONE SIX FIVE SIX DASH C WHO IS ACQUAINTED WITH ASSOCIATE WALTER T. RIFE WORKING FULL TIME ON THIS CASE AND
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IN DAILY CONTACT WITH HIS ASSOCIATES, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

ST. LOUIS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE COMMERCIAL BAKERY WHICH EMPLOYED SUBJECT APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN FIFTY NINE AS BAKER. CHECK RECORDS; SET FORTH LEADS. CHECK RECORDS AMERICAN TELEVISION SCHOOL CONCERNING SUBJECT'S ATTENDANCE THERE APRIL THIRTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY NINE. ASCERTAIN RESIDENCE DATA. IDENTIFY ASSOCIATES. CONDUCT NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATIONS RESIDENCES ADDRESSES SHOWN YOUR TERRITORY AT ST. LOUIS. APPROPRIATE INQUIRY J AND R AUTO SALES AND AT LEWIS COUNTY, MISSOURI.

BALTIMORE UTILIZE INFORMATION FURNISHED ABOVE.

OMAHA INITIATE INQUIRIES DES MOINES, IOWA, CONCERNING PRIOR RESIDENCE OF FAMILY THERE APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN FORTY TWO TO NINETEEN FORTY THREE, NOTING FATHER WAS EMPLOYED CB AND Q RAILROAD, ALTHOUGH SUBJECT WOULD HAVE BEEN ONLY TEENAGER DURING RESIDENCE YOUR DIVISION.

CHICAGO CHECK RECORDS AVERY OR ARVEY CORPORATION AND NEO PRODUCE COMPANY FOR BACKGROUND DATA.

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BUREAU, FILE SPRINGFIELD DIVISION INDICATES JOSEPH
ELMER AUSTIN MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT FBI NUMBER EIGHT
TWO ONE SEVEN THREE THREE WITH EXTENSIVE RECORD INCLUDING
MURDER, ARMED ROBBERY, PAROLE VIOLATOR. BUREAU REQUESTED
TO FURNISH SPRINGFIELD AND INTERESTED OFFICES CURRENT
IDENTIFICATION RECORD FOR JOSEPH ELMER AUSTIN,
FBI NUMBER EIGHT TWO ONE SEVEN THREE THREE TO ASSIST IN
LOCATING FOR INTERVIEW.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING SPRINGFIELD AT GALESBURG,
ALTON, QUINCY BASED ON ABOVE.

COPIES MAILED MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, OMAHA AND KANSAS CITY.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #7132	12-21-25	murder	25 yrs
SP Joliet Ill	Elmer Austin #23	8-2-34 in trans fr SP Joliet Ill	1-murder 2-robb armed	1-25 yrs 2-10 yrs to life 3 sents conc
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #13997	8-14-36 in trans fr SP Joliet Ill	murder & robb etc murder mittimus held on robb arm mittimus par robb arm 7-22-39 to Pleasant Plains Ill term 4 yrs 4-8-54 par term 4-27-56 paroled par 5-7-59	25 yrs & 10 yrs life 9-20-39 exp & disch fr
SO Springfield Ill	Joseph Elmer Austin #W2638	12-8-50	par viol	ret to Menard Pen
ATU Springfield Ill	Joseph Elmer Austin #111-S-1035(NFA)	12-8-50	Vio NFA	
SO Fort Worth Texas	Joseph E. Austin #22595	1-20-55	inv pro viol	
SP Menard Ill	Elmer Austin #13997	not given FP 2-8-55	murder & robb	10-life & 25 yrs
USM Nashville Tenn	Elmer Joseph Austin #502	4-22-57	* kidnapping	9-11-57 rel to St of Ill
SO Nashville Tenn	Joseph Elmer Austin #4719-G	4-20-57	kidnapping	
SPol Frankfort Ky	Joesph Elmer Austin #23783	4-20-57	2-2478 armed robb 2-2479 kidnapping on chg of 2-2481-armed robb kidnapping	filed away

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	Elmer Austin, Illinois State Penitentiary Menard Illinois, number 13997 date arrested or received 8-14-36 on charge of Murder & Robbery, Etc. Paroled 2-23-65 per Dispo received Ident. Div. 3-4-65 ejf			
	SUPPLEMENT			

Information shown on this Identification Record represents data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. Where final disposition is not shown or further explanation of charge is desired, communicate with agency contributing those fingerprints.

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TO:

Date 4/25/68

SAC, Baltimore

Your inquiry
SI- teletype
4/24/68

MURKIN.

- ☐ Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- ☒ Attached furnished in compliance with request from SAC, Springfield
- ☐ 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.
- ☐ If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
- ☐ Your communication is returned.
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TO: ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) -P-
RE: MURKIN
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Re ME airtel to All Continental Offices, 4/19/68, requesting that all laundries determined to be using Thermo-Seal laundry marking machines be contacted in effort to locate laundry marking "20R-3", and LA teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

All offices discontinue efforts to locate inasmuch as laundry mark identified as coming from laundry in Culver City, California, per Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 4/18/68.

- 1 - Each Continental Office
2 - Memphis

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Date: 4/30/68

Transmit the following in CODE
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(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR ~~AND MEMPHIS~~
FROM BALTIMORE (44-669) (66-965)

SENT BY CODED TELETYPE

MURKIN; BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR.

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST SUGGESTING CHECK
OF JAMES RAY, SSN [REDACTED]

ON APRIL TWENTYSIX LAST, WILLIAM E. HANNA, JR., DIRECTOR, BUREAU
OF DATA PROCESSING AND ACCOUNTS, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,
BALTIMORE, MD., CONTACTED SAC AND REQUESTED A CONFERENCE SINCE
THIS OFFICE HAD SUBMITTED THE NAMES ERIC STARVO GALT WITH
ALIASES FOR A CHECK OF BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR.

SAC CONTACTED HANNA, WHO ADVISED HE WAS NOT CERTAIN THE ASSASSINA-
TION OF DR. KING WAS A CASE WHICH CLEARLY FELL WITHIN THE SCOPE
OF BUREAU'S AGREEMENT WITH SOCIAL SECURITY. SAC POINTED OUT
TO HANNA THAT THIS CASE COULD NOT BE CONSIDERED JUST A MURDER
CASE BUT WAS VERY DEFINITELY A NATIONAL DEFENSE MATTER AND
THE DISORDERS WHICH FOLLOWED KING'S DEATH SUPPORTED THIS CON-
TENTION. SAC ADDED THAT THE PRESIDENT AND ATTORNEY GENERAL

1 cc MEMPHIS - Air Mail - REGISTERED Mail

1 - BA 44-669

1 - BA 66-965

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HAD A PERSONAL INTEREST IN SEEING THAT ALL GOVERNMENT SOURCES WERE CHECKED. HANNA EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING AND FULL COOPERATION WITH BUREAU'S POSITION AND INTERESTS. HE SUGGESTED, HOWEVER, THAT ADDITIONAL REQUESTS FOR BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR CHECKS IN THIS CASE MIGHT FALL INTO A "GRAY AREA" AND HE WOULD LIKE SAC TO PERSONALLY CONTACT HIM ON SUCH REQUESTS SO THAT HE COULD CONSIDER DISCUSSING THEM WITH COMMISSIONER BALL OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE.

UACB, BALTIMORE WILL NOT CHECK NAME JAMES RAY, SSN
, WITH BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR AS SUGGESTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

UACB, BALTIMORE WILL ONLY CHECK NAMES IN THIS CASE WITH SPECIFIC BUREAU APPROVAL.

Memphis Advised By Mail.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

FROM : SA ROY G. WETZEL

SUBJECT: MURKIM

DATE: 4/29/68

On 4/11/68, SA ROY G. WETZEL and SA DONALD V. NORTH attempt to locate one HARRY BURGESS through the following individuals:

Mr. WILLIAM MOORE
3708 Upshire Street
Brentwood, Maryland

Mr. FRANK A. BURGESS
5111 Emerson Street
Hyattsville, Maryland

Mr. JOHN T. MARCERON
3914 Percy Street
Hyattsville, Maryland

Brentwood Chief of Police JIM BEHELLER,

all with negative results.

During this time it was determined that BURGESS is a white male, with thin receding hair, approximately 40-42 years old, who is a habitual drunkard moving from place to place whenever he can find someone to stay with. Mr. BURGESS has only one hand, the other having been cut off during WW II, however, he does at times wear a false hand.

Mr. BURGESS has recently been contacted in reference to a possible ITSMV violation in the Baltimore Division wherein during one of his drinking sprees he loaned his automobile to a person he did not know and this person drove the car out of State.

In view of the fact that BURGESS only has one hand, it is not felt he would be a logical suspect in this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (44-669)

DATE: 4/29/68

FROM : SA RONALD R. LICHTINGER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re PH Tel, 4/23/68.

Mrs. THELMA ALMEDA CAPINO, owner of a 1965 Ford Fairlane, Sky Blue in color, 2 door sedan, bearing 1968 Maryland license FA 4384, advised that the above vehicle was in her possession on April 21, 1968 from at least 9:30 AM when she drove to her daughters home in Lucketts, Va. and then to her aunts home in Leesburg, Va. until she returned home at about 4:30 PM. The vehicle then sat in her garage beside her home until about 7:30 PM that same evening when her husband, JOHN W. CAPINO drove it to work at the J. M. Bucheimer Company, Frederick, Md. where he works as a janitor and night watchman on weekends from 8:00 PM until 5:00 AM. She added that no one else drove the car on April 21, 1968. She added that both license tags were affixed to her vehicle on March 31, 1968 and that neither has been off the vehicle since then, to her knowledge.

Instant 1965 Ford was personally observed by the writer and both 1968 Maryland license tags, FA 4384, were on the vehicle.

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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 slaying 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.

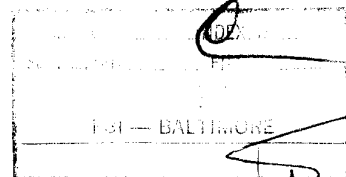
A Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a United States citizen. Ray, who escaped on April 23, 1967, from the Missouri State Penitentiary, is also sought for unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement after conviction for armed robbery.

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 [redacted] 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.

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



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Baltimore (44-669)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA Melvin D. Mercer, Jr.

SUBJECT: *Murkin*
Civil Rights

Re : *Eric Starvo Galt*
Laundry Mark Leads

Re Albany airtel to the Bureau, 4/10/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA Melvin D. Mercer, Jr.: ~~REDACTED~~

On 4/17/68, Mr. H. H. Wolfe, owner, Penthouse Laundry, 4712 Hampton Lane, Bethesda, Maryland, furnished the following information:

His company moved from Rockville, Md. to its present address in 1962. When he first arrived in Bethesda, Md., he owned two Thermo-Seal machines. However, because of complaints from customers he disposed of these machines about 6 years ago. He recalled selling one of the machines to "Morningstar" Laundry on New Hampshire Ave. The other was sold to someone in Virginia, name unknown, Mr.

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Wolfe advised that his company uses no more Thermo-Seal machines. He did not know the Serial Numbers of the machines he sold and had no business records that would indicate the serial numbers.

On 4/17/68, Mrs. Ella Bryan, Manager, Morningside Cleaning Center, 10207 New Hampshire Avenue, Hillandale, Maryland, furnished the following information:

Her store does not use any Thermo-Seal machines. ~~the~~ The thermo-sealing is only done at the main office located at 2486 Chillum Road, Queenstown, Maryland. A thermo ~~seal~~ seal is only used on dress shirts by her company.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE (44-)

DATE: 4/25/68

FROM : SA PAUL D. EARNEST

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following agencies, financial institutions, police departments were contacted April 10, 1968, concerning the identity of ERIC STARVO GALT, suspect in instant case:

<u>Person Contacted</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Results</u>
Mrs. NAOMI DAVIES, executive secretary	SSS, Local Board 31, Annapolis, Maryland	Negative

Mrs. JUANITA MITCHELL, executive secretary	LB 32, Annapolis, Maryland	Negative
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BANKS

Mr. W. J. LELEVONSKY Vice President	Annapolis Banking and Trust Company, including Severna Park and Edgewater branches	Negative
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Miss MARJORIE SWALLENBERG, cashier	Farmers National Bank of Annapolis, including West Street and Severna Park branches	Negative
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Mrs. BEVERLY MORGAN, secretary to vice president	Maryland National Bank, Annapolis, Maryland, including West Street and all branches	Negative
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EARL WALTER, first vice president	The Bank of Glen Burnie, including Odenton Branch	Negative
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RICHARD G. LARSON manager	American National Bank of Maryland	Negative
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BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

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<u>Person Contacted</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Results</u>
JEAN DEGHUEE manager	Augusta Building and Loan Association	Negative
JAMES MEEKINS	Capitol City Federal	Negative
PETER LOMBARDI manager	Annapolis Federal Savings and Loan Association	Negative
SAMUEL SCHENKA	Chesapeake Savings and Loan Association	Negative

MISCELLANEOUS

Mrs. ANN MALLET business women's manager	Beneficial Finance Company, Glen Burnie, Maryland	Negative
Miss JEANETTE PHILLIPS, cashier	Beneficial Finance Company Annapolis, Maryland	Negative
Mrs. JANET MANIFOLD clerk	Industrial Relations, U. S. Naval Academy	Negative

POLICE DEPARTMENTS:

Miss DEBBIE NEVINS clerk	Anne Arundel County Police Department, Millersville, Md.	Negative
BERNARD J. KALINOSKE, Deputy Chief	Annapolis Police Department	Negative
Mrs. IDA GIBSON, executive clerk	Calvert County Sheriff's Office, Prince Frederick, Md.	Negative

In addition to the above SA GAIL T. COBB contacted numerous other companies and institutions in the area covered by the Annapolis RA.

DATE: 4/26/68

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA
ERIC STARVO GALT,
W. C. HERRON,
HARVEY LOWMYER,
JAMES MC BRIDE,
JAMES O'CONNER,
JAMES WALTON,
JAMES WALYON,
JOHN WILLARD,
"JIM"
WANTED FLYER 442-A
IO #4182 (4/20/68)

A Federal warrant was issued on April 17, 1968, at Birmingham, Alabama, charging RAY as ERIC STARVO GALT with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a Citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241). A Federal warrant was also issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Missouri, charging RAY with UFAC for crime of robbery. RAY was serving a twenty year sentence at the Missouri State Penitentiary from March 17, 1960, when he escaped on April 23, 1967. He was last known to be in Atlanta on April 5, 1968. From July, 1955 to April, 1958, he was serving sentence in U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, after conviction of forging Postal money order.

Specifically, RAY is sought for the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. in Memphis, on April 4, 1968. He is described as follows:

Age:	40
DOB:	
POB:	Quincy, Illinois
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	163 to 174 lbs.

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA

Build:	Medium
Hair:	Brown, possibly short
Eyes:	Blue
Complexion:	Medium
Race:	White
Nationality:	American
Occupation:	Baker, color matcher, laborer
Scars and Marks:	Small scar on center of forehead and small scar on palm of right hand
Remarks:	Noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf; allegedly attended dance in- struction school; has reportedly completed course in bartending
Military Service:	USA - February, 1946 - December, 1948; SN 16163129
Social Security Number:	
Parents:	LUCILLE RYAN, St. Louis, Missouri, in 1959; JAMES GERALD RAY, aka JERRY RAYNES, Center, Missouri
Brothers:	JERRY, JOHN, FRANKLIN
Sisters:	MELBA MARIE RYAN, Quincy, Illinois, CAROLE
Schools:	American Television School, St. Louis, Missouri, 1949
Employments:	Worked at bakery in St. Louis, 1959; Worked at Quincy Compressor, Quincy, Illinois, 1951
Residences:	Resided with father, mother and also had room by himself, St. Louis, Missouri, 1959; Resided Alton, Chicago and Quincy, Illinois, during periods in 1952 --- 1955

Resident Agents should maintain contact with mass communications media to insure there is frequent reference to RAY and his connection with this case.

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA

All Agents recontact criminal, security and racial sources; furnish IO's and/or wanted flyers to Police Departments, all transportation facilities and other logical agencies in the area. (IO's available.)

All Agents during course of daily investigation be alert to "Hippie" rooming houses and similar establishments to obtain any information whatsoever concerning RAY.

All Agents should, in connection with recoveries of cars stolen from Georgia subsequent to 4/4/68, where the transporter cannot be otherwise accounted for, conduct investigation to determine if RAY could possibly have transported the vehicle.

RAY is sought in connection with a murder wherein the victim was shot.

CONSIDER - ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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Date: 4/24/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE
FROM: *WJW* SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)
RE: MURKIN

Re my call to Baltimore today; Birmingham tel to Baltimore 4/22/68; mytel to Memphis, New York and Newark 4/20/68.

RE: THOMAS JOSEPH COX

Baltimore should discontinue lead through Source 4 inasmuch as THOMAS JOSEPH COX interviewed Houston and negative results furnished to receiving offices.

- ② - Baltimore
1 - Birmingham (info)
1 - Memphis (info)
1 - Houston

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC BALTIMORE (170-289)

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA ROBERT E. WATERS

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

☐

SUBJECT: JESSIE T. IRVIN
R-PROB (GHETTO)

Dates of Contact		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
44-669	MURKIN - CIVIL RIGHTS	
157-857	RACIAL VIOLENCE - RACIAL MATTERS	
Purpose and results of contact		
☒ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC		
RE: <u>MURKIN - CIVIL RIGHTS BA File 44-669</u>		
On April 15, 1968, the informant was contacted on this matter but could furnish no information of value.		
RE: <u>RACIAL VIOLENCE - RACIAL MATTERS BA File 157-857</u>		
On April 15, 1968, the informant was contacted in accordance with the instructions contained in the memorandum of SAC TULLY, dated 4/4/68. He stated that he is not aware of any situation or any pending situations which might trigger mob violence or riots and that if such information comes to his attention he will immediately notify the FBI. He stated that he is of the opinion that there is very little potential for mob violence or riots in the Harford County, Maryland area within the next six months.		
☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating VERY GOOD	Coverage

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM BALTIMORE (44-669)

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RE BUREAU TEL [REDACTED] CALL, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, [REDACTED]

BAL [REDACTED] TEL [REDACTED] CALL [REDACTED] LITTLE ROCK, INSTANT DATE.

RE: THREATS MADE AGAINST MARTIN
LUTHER KING

CARLOS LEE BILLINGS, FORMER IO FUGITIVE NUMBER FOUR ZERO ONE SEVEN IN ITSP, ITSMV, UFAP - PRISON BREAK CASE, OO LITTLE ROCK, BUREAU FILES TWO SIX DASH THREE ZERO THREE ZERO THREE FIVE AND EIGHT SEVEN DASH EIGHT NINE NINE NINE EIGHT. BILLINGS APPREHENDED FEBRUARY EIGHT SIXTYSEVEN, ARKANSAS, RECEIVED FIVE YEAR SENTENCES, USDC, LITTLE ROCK, NOVEMBER TWENTYONE SIXTYSEVEN, AND TRANSFERRED TO U. S. PENITENTIARY, LEAVENWORTH, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SIXTYSEVEN.

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, LHM'S SUBMITTED BY PHILADELPHIA, MARCH THIRTYONE SIXTYFIVE, CAPTIONED "ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, RM," AND BY BALTIMORE, APRIL TWO SIXTYFIVE, CAPTIONED "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C" SETTING

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OUT INFORMATION RE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR OFFER TO BILLINGS
IN MARCH SIXTYFIVE AT COLUMBIA, S.C., BY INDIVIDUALS ONLY
KNOWN AS JAMES AND EDDIE TO KILL KING, AND BACKGROUND
INCLUDING MENTAL CONDITION.

COPIES OF ABOVE LHM'S BEING FORWARDED AMSD TO KANSAS
CITY FOR REINTERVIEW OF BILLINGS PER BUREAU REQUEST.

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