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- For information       Retention optional       For appropriate action       Surep, by \_\_\_\_\_
- The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report,  conceal all sources,  paraphrase contents.
- Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks:

Enclosed are copies of 1960 photograph of subject James Earl Ray.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM : SAC, ALBANY (44-493) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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(OO:MEMPHIS)

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# Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: 4/19/68

FROM : SAC NEIL J. WELCH

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: JAMES EARL RAY, aka  
Eric Starvo Galt,  
W. C. Herron,  
Harvey Lowmyer,  
James McBride,  
James O'Conner,  
James Walton,  
John Willard - FUGITIVE  
CR; UFAC - ARMED ROBBERY

Attached hereto is a copy of a press release made by Bureau in captioned case on 4/19/68. Release states that ERIC STARVO GALT has been positively identified as JAMES EARL RAY who was reported missing from the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, since 4/23/67. He had been received there on 4/17/60 to serve a 20-year sentence following conviction for Armed Robbery and operating a motor vehicle without permission of the owner.

On 7/20/67, a complaint was filed at Jefferson City, Missouri charging GALT with Unlawful Flight from the State of Missouri to Avoid Confinement in connection with his escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary.

BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT EVERY EFFORT MUST BE MADE TO INSURE REPEATED AND WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION OF THIS PRESS RELEASE. COPIES OF THE 1968 PHOTOGRAPH OF RAY AND WANTED FLIER SHOULD ALSO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO IMMEDIATE CONTACTS. NO ELABORATION WHATSOEVER MAY BE MADE REGARDING THIS RELEASE.

The following descriptive data was obtained from the release:

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Name	JAMES EARL RAY
Aliases	Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride, James O'Conner, James Walton, John Willard
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	Claims 3/10/28 at Illinois
Height	Approximately 5'10"
Weight	About 163 - 174
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Hair	Brown
Scars	Small scar on center of forehead; Scar on palm of right hand
Education	Claims through 10th grade, in Alton, Illinois
Occupations	Baker, laborer, color matcher

Extra copies of the wanted fliers have been furnished to all Resident Agencies and one set of photographs.

Bureau has been requested to furnish additional photographs and fliers by teletype.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
APRIL 19, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE FBI HAS IDENTIFIED JAMES EARL RAY, AN ESCAPEE FROM THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY, AS ERIC STARVO GALT, AGAINST WHOM A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED LAST WEDNESDAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER SAID THAT A SYSTEMATIC AND EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH OF LATENT FINGERPRINTS UNCOVERED IN THE DR. KING CASE AGAINST THE FINGERPRINTS OF THE OVER 53,000 PERSONS FROM WHOM "WANTED NOTICES" HAVE BEEN POSTED IN THE FILES OF THE FBI'S IDENTIFICATION DIVISION LED TO THE DETERMINATION THAT GALT AND RAY ARE IDENTICAL.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT RAY, WHO IS 40 YEARS OF AGE, WAS REPORTED MISSING FROM THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, SINCE APRIL 23, 1967. HE HAD BEEN RECEIVED AT THAT INSTITUTION ON MARCH 17, 1960, TO SERVE A 20-YEAR SENTENCE FOLLOWING CONVICTION IN ST. LOUIS FOR ARMED ROBBERY AND FOR OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE OWNER.



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IN SEPTEMBER, 1966, WHILE SERVING THIS SENTENCE, HE WAS CONFINED FOR A TIME IN THE MAXIMUM SECURITY WARD AT THE STATE HOSPITAL AT FULTON, MISSOURI.

ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, RAY HAS A KNOWN ARREST RECORD DATING BACK TO 1949. PRIOR TO THE 1960 CONVICTION FOR WHICH HE RECEIVED THE 20-YEAR TERM, RAY HAD BEEN CONVICTED OF BURGLARY IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN 1949; ARMED ROBBERY IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, IN 1952; AND FORGING UNITED STATES POSTAL MONEY ORDERS IN MISSOURI IN 1955.

HE HAS SERVED TERMS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL IN 1949; IN STATE PRISONS AT JOLIET AND PONTIAC, ILLINOIS, IN 1952-54; AND IN THE FEDERAL PENITENTIARY AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, IN 1955-58.

RAY WAS AN ENLISTED MAN IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM FEBRUARY, 1946, TO DECEMBER, 1948, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS GIVEN A GENERAL DISCHARGE DUE TO INEPTNESS AND LACK OF ADAPTABILITY FOR MILITARY SERVICE. WHILE IN THE ARMY, HE RECEIVED A THREE-MONTH SENTENCE AT HARD LABOR FOR BEING DRUNK AND BREAKING ARREST.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT DURING HIS CRIMINAL CAREER, RAY HAS ALSO USED THE NAMES OF JAMES MCBRIDE, JAMES WALTON, W. G. HERRON AND JAMES O'CONNOR. HE IS A WHITE MALE; CLAIMS TO HAVE

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BEEN BORN MARCH 10, 1928, IN ILLINOIS; IS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 10 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS ABOUT 163 TO 174 POUNDS. HE HAS BLUE EYES AND BROWN HAIR. THERE IS A SMALL SCAR ON THE CENTER OF HIS FOREHEAD AND A SCAR ON THE PALM OF HIS RIGHT HAND.

RAY HAS CLAIMED THAT HE ATTENDED SCHOOL THROUGH THE 10TH GRADE IN ALTON, ILLINOIS. HE HAS HAD THE REPUTATION OF BEING A "DRIFTER" SINCE LEAVING SCHOOL. HIS VOCATIONAL EXPERIENCE INCLUDES WORKING AS A BAKER, LABORER AND COLOR MATCHER.

IN CONNECTION WITH HIS ESCAPE FROM THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY, AN FBI COMPLAINT WAS FILED IN JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, ON JULY 20, 1967, CHARGING RAY WITH UNLAWFULLY FLEEING FROM THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO AVOID CONFINEMENT. HE HAS BEEN A FEDERAL FUGITIVE SINCE THEN.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. ANYONE HAVING INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT FBI HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., OR THE NEAREST FBI OFFICE.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-374)

FROM : SPC MARDIROSIAN

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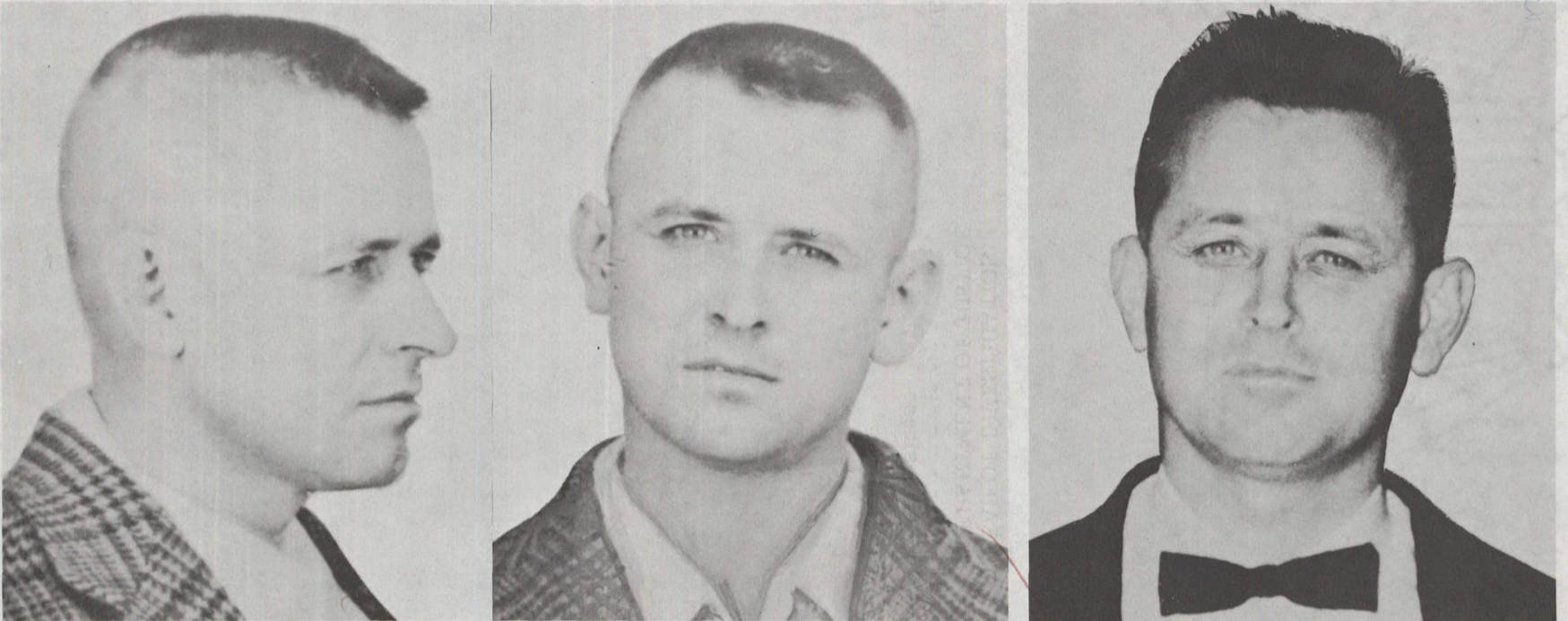
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## CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY JAMES EARL RAY

FBI No. 405,942 G



Photographs taken 1960

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(eyes drawn by artist) *num. refs*

*44-374-20*  
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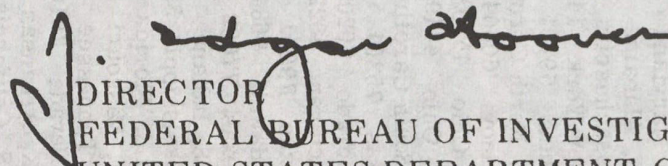
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As you have been previously advised, a warrant was issued at Birmingham, Alabama on 4/17/68 charging RAY as ERIC STARVO GALT with violation of Title 18, USC, Section 241.

Bureau has advised that on 3/7/55, RAY with one WALTER TERRY RIFE burglarized the Post Office in Kellerville, Illinois and stole 66 blank U.S. Post Office Money Orders which they passed in several states. On 7/1/55, RAY and RIFE were sentenced in USDC, Kansas City, Missouri to the U.S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth.

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RAY has been described as a loner with RIFE as one of his few associates (RIFE should be considered as possible co-conspirator in captioned matter).

Bureau has furnished following description of RIFE:

Name	WALTER TERRY RIFE
Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	4/19/24, age 44
Height	5'9½"
Weight	161 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue-gray
FBI Number	4 558 766

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POB	Decatur, Quincy, or Alton, Illinois
Height	Approximately 5'10"
Weight	174 pounds in September, 1966
Complexion	Ruddy
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown (brush cut)
Build	Medium

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Occupations	Laborer, baker, Graduate of Bartending school, Los Angeles, 3/2/68
Scars	Small scar on center of forehead; Scar on palm of right hand
Education	Claims 10th grade
Characteristics	Avid dancer, but described by some as poor dancer; Loner - described by some as introvert; Neat dresser; Drinks alcoholic beverages, with preference for vodka ✓ and beer; Fan of country and western ✓ music; Language and diction rural quality; Has nervous habit of pulling ✓ on ear lobe; Left ear protrudes farther from head than right ear
ASN	16163129
Military Record	Enlisted U.S. Army 2/46; given general discharge 12/23/48 by reason of ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service
FBI Number	306 443 A
FPC	16 M 9 U 000 12 M 4 W IOI
	Ref 9 12
NCIC FPC	161311001212III12III7
Medical History	Treated for gonorrhoea and syphilis while in service; Has been confined in State Hospital, Fulton, Missouri

Buffalo indices are negative on RAY and all his  
aliases and on RIFE.

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# Galt Identified

## as Prison

## Escapee

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Fugitive James Ray  
Had Been Serving  
20-Year Sentence  
For Armed Robbery

By United Press International

WASHINGTON, April 19

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FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said a systematic search of latent fingerprints uncovered in the case against the prints of more than 53,000 persons led to the determination "that Galt and Ray are identical."

Mr. Hoover said Ray, 40, was reported missing from the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City April 23, 1967. He had been serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery.

## "Brother" Charged

As Galt, Ray has been the object of a cross-country search which extended into Mexico.

Dr. King was shot to death from an ambush as he stood on the balcony of a Memphis motel.

The FBI, in a warrant issued earlier this week, charged Galt and an "alleged brother" with conspiracy in King's slaying. Memphis officials have sworn out a murder warrant for Galt.

The FBI released two front and side view photos of Ray apparently taken at the Missouri prison, where he had been an inmate since 1960. It said the photograph was taken in 1960.

The photograph was identified as that of James Earl Ray, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, James McBride, James Walton, W. C. Herron and James O'Conner.

John Willard was the name used by the man who checked into a Memphis rooming house from which the shot that killed Dr. King apparently was fired.

## Discharged From Service

Mr. Hoover said Ray had a known arrest record dating back to 1949. Prior to his 1960 conviction in St. Louis, Ray was convicted of burglary in Los Angeles in 1949; armed robbery in Chicago in 1952; and forging United States postal money orders in Missouri in 1955.

The FBI said that in September 1966, while serving his sentence at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Ray was confined for a time in the maximum security ward at Fulton.

He also served time in the Los Angeles County Jail in 1949; state prisons at Joliet and Pontiac, Ill., from 1952 to 1954; and the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., from 1955 to 1958.

The FBI said Ray was an enlisted man in the army from February 1946 to December 1948, when he was given a general discharge due to ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# History of Memphis Suspect— Ruthless Man, Always on Run

By JOE CAPPO

Special to Buffalo Evening News

CHICAGO, April 20—The nationwide manhunt for ex convict James Early Ray—believed by the FBI to be the real name of Eric Starvo Galt—seems to be a destined development in a life filled with trouble, crime and running.

The man accused of murdering or at least conspiring to kill Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is described by the FBI as being a "liar" and a "drifter," not unlike some other names in recent history, names like Richard Franklin Speck and Lee Harvey Oswald.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said a systematic search of latent fingerprints uncovered in the case against the prints of more than 53,000 persons led to the determination "that Galt and Ray are identical."

## Gun to Driver's Head

Warden Harold Swensen of Missouri State Prison, from which Ray escaped, said: "There is no doubt in my mind that Ray could be a paid assassin. He is extremely dangerous, coldblooded and ruthless."

Ray came to Chicago late in 1951 and moved into a North Side room in property owned by the McCormick Theological Seminary.

About 1:30 AM on May 6, 1952, Ray hailed a taxicab and ordered the driver to take him to State and Delaware Sts. in the Rush St. night club district.

When they reached the destination, the driver, Louis Knox said Ray put a pistol to his head and demanded money. As Knox turned over \$11 to the bandit, a witness hailed a passing squad car.

## Begged for Probation

The policemen chased Ray on foot. One fired at him. Winged in both arms, Ray was arrested and treated at a hospital before being transferred to jail.

Ray, then 24, pleaded guilty to armed robbery, but begged for probation, saying he "would get a job and never get involved with the law again."

Ray was sentenced to 1 to 2 years in Joliet Prison.

Reports made there indicate



**JAMES EARLY RAY**  
He Promised to Go Straight

Ray had a "superior" mental range and an IQ of 120 to 128. But other sections of the report were not so favorable: "Use of alcohol: intemperate; personality rating: unstable; psychiatric prognosis: problematic to doubtful; social type: socially inadequate."

## Arrested as a Vagrant

Ray was born March 10, 1928, in Alton, Ill. He attended a rural grammar school near Alton, but dropped out of school at about the 10th grade.

In February 1946 he enlisted in the Army, but was given a general discharge in December 1948 because of "ineptness and lack of adaptability for military service."

The next heard of Ray was in 1949, in Los Angeles, where he was arrested for burglary and spent 90 days in jail.

In 1950 he was arrested for vagrancy in Cedar Rapids, Ia., but released. The next year he was picked up in Alton, Ill., for

driving without an operator's license.

Some time after that he came to Chicago and pulled the taxi holdup. Five months after his parole on the sentence, Ray was picked up in East Alton for burglary of a cleaning shop. The charge was later dropped.

## Tried to Break Away

The record then points to Kansas City, Mo., where he was arrested for forging U. S. postal money orders and subsequently served 1955 to 1958 in the federal penitentiary at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

In 1959 Ray and an accomplice, James Owens, were convicted of the \$120 armed robbery of a St. Louis supermarket.

He was sentenced to 20 years in prison on Dec. 17, 1959. On the way to court for his final hearing, Ray tried to dash away from guards, but was captured. He subsequently was sent to Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, where he made two unsuccessful escape attempts.

But on April 23, 1967, Ray was reported missing from the prison. There are no reports on how he escaped.

## Long Auto Trips

Fbi agents know that he was living in a Birmingham, (Ala.) rooming house in September and October.

They know he paid \$2000 cash for a white sports car and then purchased a rifle in a Birmingham gun shop. There is no idea where the money came from.

There are reports he took dancing lessons in Birmingham and New Orleans. Other reports say that he attended bartending school in Long Beach, Calif.

Other reports are of long auto trips — from Los Angeles on Dec. 15 to New Orleans, and back to Los Angeles by Dec. 21.

And then there's that last report, the one that alleges he fled from a Memphis rooming house after shooting Dr. King through the narrow window of a bathroom.

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At about 6 p.m. on 4/4/68, while standing on the second floor balcony outside Room 306 of the Lorraine Motel, 406 Mulberry Street, Memphis, Tennessee, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. was struck in the right side of the face by a single bullet fired from a 30-06 rifle. The bullet severed KING's spinal cord and death was almost instantaneous.

This investigation, predicated upon a specific request from the Attorney General of the United States, disclosed that the fatal shot had been fired from the bathroom of a cheap rooming house located at 422½ South Main Street, Memphis, which bathroom was located at the rear of the rooming house, and had a window overlooking the Lorraine Motel.

At about 3 p.m. on 4/4/68, an individual using the name JOHN WILLARD had rented Room 5-B in the rooming house at 422½ South Main Street and had paid one week's rent. After hearing the rifle shot at about 6 p.m. on that same day, other tenants in the rooming house observed a man presumably identical with WILLARD, fleeing from the rooming house carrying a large package which was subsequently abandoned by him on the sidewalk in front of the Canipe Amusement Co., 424 South Main Street, Memphis. A neighborhood investigation in the vicinity of 424 South Main Street disclosed that the subject had fled from the scene in a white Mustang.

Found abandoned in front of 424 South Main Street was a 30-06 Remington model 760 rifle which was determined to have been

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Approved: RG Jensen  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent Justo Henry M Per [Signature]

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Investigation at Memphis disclosed that an individual had purchased a set of binoculars at the York Arms Company in Memphis on 4/4/68. These binoculars were among the material abandoned with the rifle and recovered in Memphis. Also recovered was a brown and green herringbone bedspread. The items abandoned in Memphis were all wrapped in this bedspread. The blue bag which was inside the bedspread contained numerous items, among which were the binoculars and a set of underwear consisting of a T-shirt and shorts. The T-shirt and shorts are those on which appears the laundry mark which has been a matter of interest in this case.

A search of motel records in the Memphis area disclosed that an individual using the name ERIC S. GALT had spent the night of 4/3/68 at the Rebel Motel, Memphis, Tennessee, and was driving a 1966 white Mustang bearing Alabama License 1-38993. Investigation at Birmingham disclosed that this automobile had been purchased by ERIC S. GALT on August 30, 1968, from a private person in response to a newspaper ad. He paid a total of \$1995 cash. While in Birmingham he furnished the address of 2608 South Highland Avenue, Birmingham. This is also the address which appeared on a driver's license issued to him by the State of Alabama. The driver's license identifying data listed his birth date as July 20, 1931, his height as 5'11", his weight as 170 and his eyes blue and hair brown. P

The automobile in question, the white Mustang bearing the Alabama tags mentioned above, was recovered in Atlanta on 4/11/68 and determined to have been abandoned there prior to 9 a.m. on 4/5/68.

In connection with the evidence submitted by Atlanta, Birmingham, and Memphis, identifiable latent prints were recovered. It was on the basis of these latents that identification was made of JAMES EARL RAY. In handling future leads, all offices should be particularly interested in securing an identifying number, military, police, or FBI, in connection with suspects so that the necessary check can be made through the Identification Division.

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FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN - COST DATA

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For information of all offices, the Bureau by retel requested of the Memphis Division as follows:

"Please furnish following information on above matter compiled or estimated through 4/30/68, and thereafter submit cumulative totals through the end of each month until further notice:

- 1) Number of man hours spent on case broken down as to regular hours, overtime hours, and total man hours by following employees (separate figures for each class of employees shown):
  - A. Special Agents
  - B. Clerical Employees
- 2) Total mileage (estimated or actual) traveled by Bucars used on case. Include mileage for cars traveling to and from other field offices on special assignment and any personally-owned cars.
- 3) Any unusual or out-of-ordinary costs, such as cost of chartering airplane, rental of special office space, leased telephone lines, etc. These should be itemized and cost of each item shown.

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- 4) Peak number of Special Agents working on case during month for which report is submitted.

You should promptly request all Bureau offices involved in this case to furnish information requested herein to you and it should be included in your report."

Each office is requested to expeditiously furnish the Memphis Division with the above designated data within two work days after the close of each month. Secondly, each office is also requested to advise the Memphis Division even in the event each category is zero or no work is performed on this case during the month.

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 SUBJECT: MURKIN  
 CIVIL RIGHTS  
 (OO: ME)

Re Albany airtels 4/10/68 and 4/11/68, setting forth concerns who purchased Thermo-Seal marking machines, and Bureau teletype to Memphis, 4/12/68.

The FBI Laboratory advised that pillowcase and bed sheet were found in trunk of 1966 white Mustang registered to ERIC STARVO GALT, which was located at Atlanta 4/11/68. These items contain Thermo-Seal laundry tapes of approximately same size as tapes on items previously recovered, but are yellow in color and contain code, "20R-3." In opinion of Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, the tapes were produced by a different machine than previous tapes since the first three characters are 15 point type and the last two characters are 18 point type,

The Textile Marking Machine Company suggests the twenty in above code would be the lot number, the R may mean that this was a return of a batch of laundry, and the three is the bundle number.

LEADS

ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

Will recontact laundries determined to be operating Thermo-Seal Marking Machines in an effort to locate laundry using the code, "20R-3."

2 - All Continental Offices BU  
 2 - Memphis  
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TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

MURKIN

YOU ARE REMINDED THAT ALL LEADS IN THIS CASE MUST BE COVERED WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS, AND ALL LEADS MUST BE SET FORTH BY TELEPHONE OR TELETYPE. ALL BORDER OFFICES COVERING ENTRY INTO MEXICO AND CANADA AND EXIT THEREFROM SHOULD INSURE THAT APPROPRIATE STOPS ARE MAINTAINED RE SUBJECT AND ALL NAMES KNOWN TO BE USED BY HIM AT RESPECTIVE OFFICES OF U. S. IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PATROL. YOU SHOULD ALSO INSURE THAT PREVIOUS STOPS PLACED WITH ANY FACILITY SHOULD INCLUDE ALL NAMES USED BY THE SUBJECT.

DISTRIBUTE SUFFICIENT QUANTITIES OF WANTED FLYERS AND IO'S TO NARCOTIC INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES IN ORDER THAT THEIR INFORMANTS MAY BE CONTACTED. YOU SHOULD CONTACT ALL CRIMINAL INFORMANTS AND APPROPRIATE RACIAL AND SECURITY INFORMANTS. LEGATS OTTAWA AND MEXICO CITY BEING ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-374) (P)

FROM : SE JOSEPH C. WILLIAMS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/22/68

The following Buffalo area laundries were telephonically contacted concerning the laundry tags on the recovered shorts and tee shirt, with negative results:

Allen Laundromat  
Did not want to give name  
886-8729  
Do not use tags

The Avenue Launderette  
Not in service  
877-9203

Beckham's Complete Laundry Service  
Mrs. CAROLINE BECKHAM  
885-0899  
Do not use tags

Big Four Dry Cleaning Co.  
Mr. FRED TRIPI  
875-5360  
Do not use tags

College Laundry Shoppe  
Mrs. ROSE ROWELL  
833-0060  
No markings used

Consolidated Laundries Corp.  
Mrs. DOROTHY FORD  
884-4657  
Do not do that type of work

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Custom Cleaners  
Mr. MARSHALL FALK  
875-4144  
Do not use tags

D'Arcy's Cleaning and Laundry Service  
Mr. DAVID SEGEL  
877-6262  
Do not use tags

Dates Laundry  
Mr. HENRY WACHOWIAK  
877-0123  
Do not use tags

Englewood Half Hour Laundry  
Mrs. CHARLOTTE MOELLER  
835-4995  
Do not use tags

Famous Linen Supply Co., Inc.  
All commercial work  
856-6400  
Do not use tags

Kenmore Laundrycenter  
Temporarily disconnected  
877-9882

Kwik Kleen, Inc.  
Same as Sweet Kleen  
(See below)  
TF 4-6100

Launderette  
Mrs. FELIMINA ROTUNDO  
883-1478  
Do not use tags

Liberty Laundry, Inc.  
ISRAEL BERNHARDT  
893-3636  
Do not use tags

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Mayfair Laundry  
Mrs. FLORENCE KLINE  
892-4640  
Do not use tags

Metropolitan Cleaners and Laundry  
Mrs. WALTER THOMPSON  
882-1010  
Do not use tags

One Hour Martinizing  
Mr. SIMON WALLENS  
836-9501  
Do not use tags

Parkhill & Hart Laundry, Inc.  
Mr. JOSEPH KUHN, JR.  
883-4400  
Do not use tags

Pendrick Laundry  
Mrs. KATHERINE BUTLER  
885-7600  
Do not use tags

Peoples Laundry  
CARMEN CIAMBELLA  
854-8570  
Do not use tags

Pet's Laundromat  
Mrs. JANET HULING  
885-2252  
Do not use tags

Ray Cleaners, Inc.  
Mr. MARVIN GROSS  
838-2910  
Do not use tags

Sweet Kleen Laundry  
Mr. JAMES FINNERTY  
834-6100  
Do not use tags

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Wash 'n Shop Laundry  
Not in service  
884-7055

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-374) (P)

FROM : SA R. GORDON EDDY

SUBJECT: RE: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

The following informant contacts have been made relative to captioned matter:

<u>Informant</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
BU 67-C	4/9/68	SA R. GORDON EDDY
PRI JAMES VALENTINE	4/9/68	SA R. GORDON EDDY
BU 278-S	4/9/68	SA KENNETH P. GLENNON
BU 442-PRI	4/9/68	SA CHARLES E. SANDALL
BU 248-S	4/11/68	SA JACK W. SUNDERLAND
BU 362-S	4/11/68	SA JACK W. SUNDERLAND
MELVIN HAWARD, PCI	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
NAPOLEON SINGLETON, PCI	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
BU 369-C	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
ELLIOTT BARKLEY, PCI	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
JEFF WILLIAMS, PCI	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
ALFRED QUAMINA, PCI	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
ROBERT WILLIAMS, PCI	4/11/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
GILBERT KNAPP, PCI	4/12/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
OTIS MARSEY, PCI	4/12/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD

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WILFRED LAWRENCE, PCI	4/12/68	SA WALTER J. SAMELSTAD
BU 403-C	4/12/68	SA EUGENE A. HEVERON
ALPHONSE LOCKETT, PCI	4/12/68	SA EUGENE A. HEVERON
BU 270-C	4/12/68	SA EUGENE A. HEVERON
DONALD CAULEY, PCI	4/11/68	SA THOMAS M. SHAUGHNESSY
BU 382-C-TE	4/11/68	SA THOMAS M. SHAUGHNESSY
ARTHUR SCALES, PCI	4/11/68	SA THOMAS M. SHAUGHNESSY
BU 370-R	4/11/68	SA THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.
BU 371-R	4/11/68	SA THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.
BU 433-R	4/11/68	SA THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.
BU 435-R	4/11/68	SA THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.
HOWARD CALES, PRI (GHETTO)	4/11/68	SA THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.
PHILLIP FRED BOCKMIER, PCI	4/11/68	SA THOMAS J. MOORE, JR.
BU 49-C	4/15/68	SA RAYMOND D. ANGLE, JR.
BU 323-C	4/15/68	SA RAYMOND D. ANGLE, JR.
BU 287-C	4/15/68	SA RAYMOND D. ANGLE, JR.
DOUGLAS WILLIAMS, PCI	4/15/68	SA RAYMOND D. ANGLE, JR.
VIOLA WILFORM, PRI	4/15/68	SA RAYMOND D. ANGLE, JR.
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