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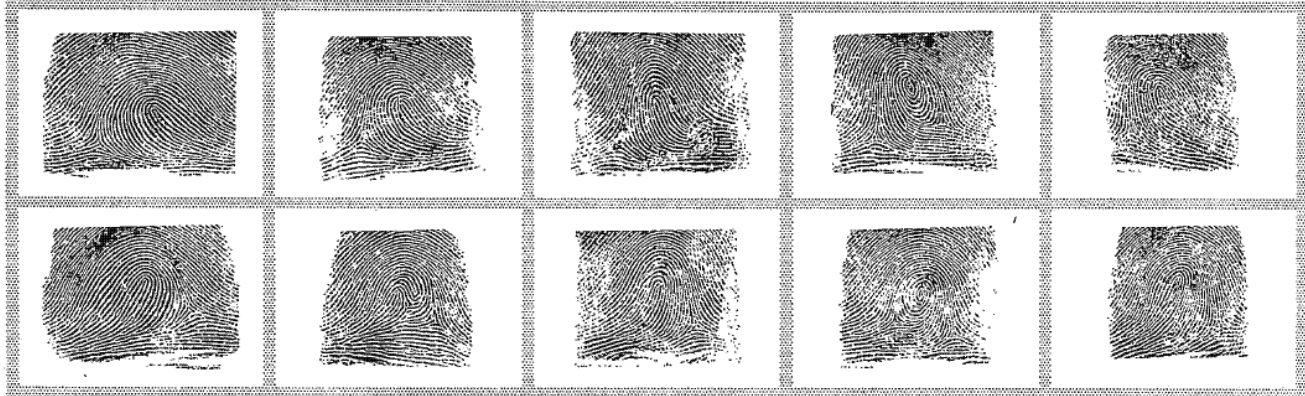
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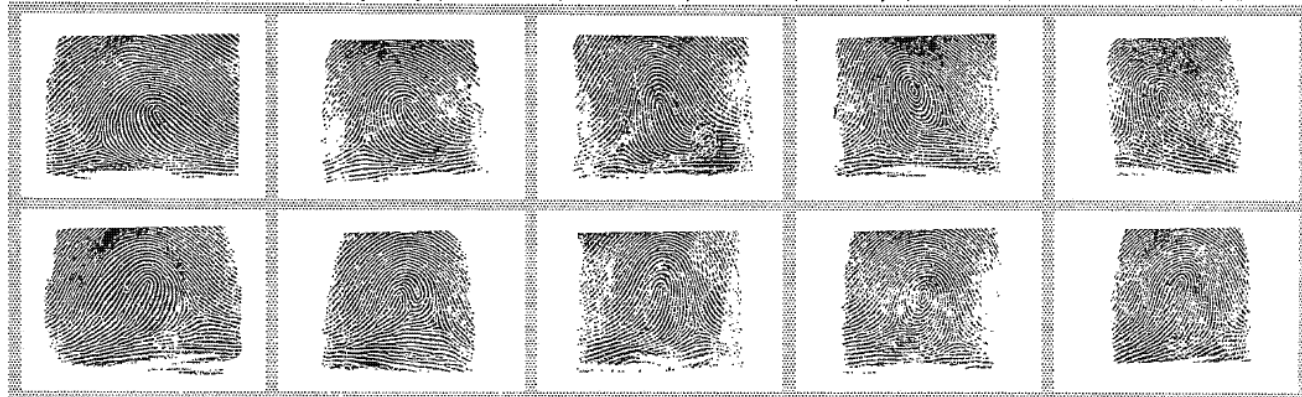
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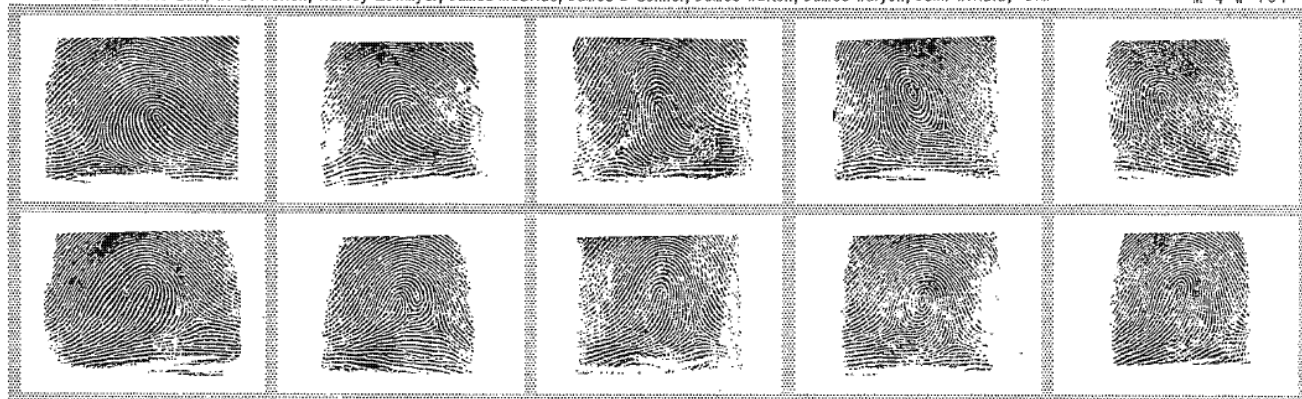
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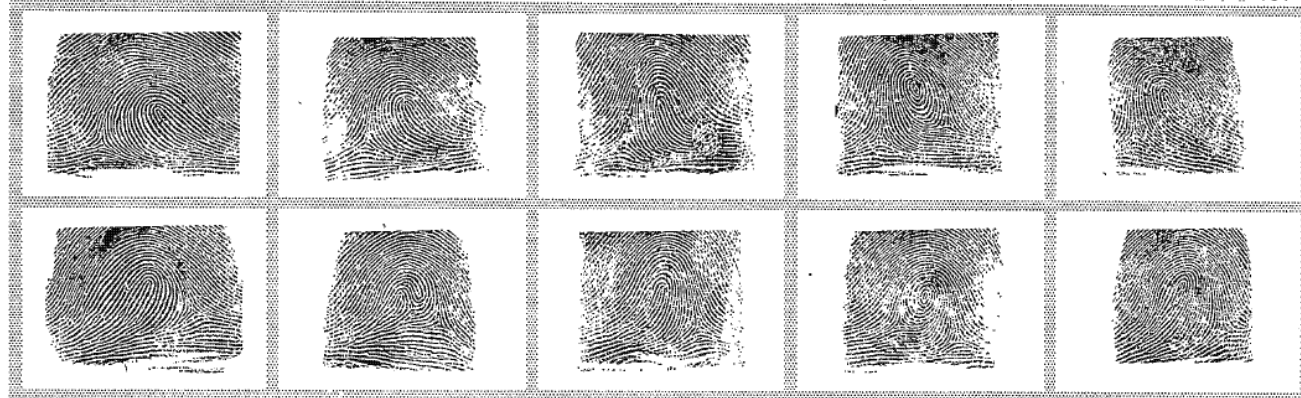
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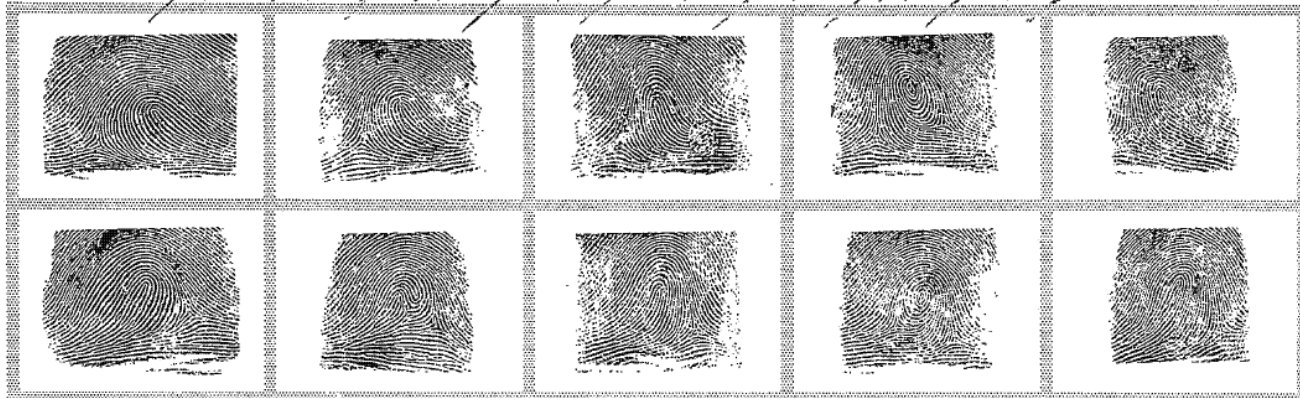
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INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY**

WANTED BY FBI

JAMES EARL RAY

FBI No. 405,942 G
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M 4 W 101

ALIASES: Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron, Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride, James O'Conner, James Walton, James Walyon, John Willard, "Jim"



Photographs taken 1960

Photograph taken 1968
(eyes drawn by artist)

James Earl Ray



DESCRIPTION

AGE: 40, born [redacted] Alton, Illinois
HEIGHT: 5' 10" EYES: blue
WEIGHT: 163 to 174 pounds COMPLEXION: medium
BUILD: medium RACE: white
HAIR: brown, possibly cut short NATIONALITY: American
OCCUPATIONS: 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 instruction school; has reportedly completed course in bartending

CRIMINAL RECORD

Ray has been convicted of burglary, robbery, forging U. S. Postal Money Orders, armed robbery, and operating motor vehicle without owner's consent.

CAUTION

RAY IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER WHEREIN THE VICTIM WAS SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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 Interstate Flight to Avoid Confinement for the crime of Robbery (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1073).

**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE.
TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.**

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U R G E N T

TO: ALL FIELD DIVISIONS

FROM: DIRECTOR

MURKIN

REMEAIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES APRIL 19 LAST FURNISHING
BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN ANY
UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERIES, BURGLARIES OR ARMED ROBBERIES (POSSIBLE
ITSP VIOLATIONS) OCCURRING AFTER APRIL 23, 1967. RAY SHOULD
ALSO BE CONSIDERED SUSPECT IN ANY FUTURE SUCH VIOLATIONS AND
BUREAU ADVISED TELEPHONICALLY OF ANY TENTATIVE IDENTIFICATION.

ANY PERTINENT LEADS DEVELOPED DURING REVIEW OF PAST
VIOLATIONS SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY RUN OUT AND BUREAU ADVISED.

SUBJECT'S HANDWRITING AND HAND PRINTING NOT IDENTIFIED
IN BANK ROBBERY NOTE FILE AND HIS FINGERPRINTS ARE BEING SEARCHED
AGAINST LATENTS SUBMITTED IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERY AND BURGLARY
VIOLATIONS.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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URGENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SACS MEMPHIS,
CINCINNATI, NEWARK AND ST. LOUIS
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO:MEMPHIS)

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO BUREAU, APRIL ¹⁹NINTH,
NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT.

RE UNKNOWN MALE LEAVING COLUMBUS OHIO VIA GREYHOUND
BUS.

[REDACTED], [REDACTED], SMITH-
TOWN, NY, [REDACTED]
STONY BROOK, NY, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS ON APRIL TWENTIETH, NINETEEN
SIXTY EIGHT:

- ① - Cleveland
- 1 - Indianapolis
- 1 - Los Angeles

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NY [REDACTED]

AT APPROXIMATELY THREE THIRTY AM ON APRIL NINETEENTH, NINETY SIXTY EIGHT, HE AND TWO OTHERS, [REDACTED] [REDACTED], NEW JERSEY, AND [REDACTED] A FRIEND OF [REDACTED] FROM UPSTATE NY, WERE SLEEPING IN WAITING ROOM AT PORT COLUMBUS AIRPORT AWAITING SEVEN THIRTY PM TWA FLIGHT TO NY. A TWA CLERK WAS ONLY OTHER PERSON PRESENT IN WAITING ROOM. [REDACTED] WAS AWAKENED BY AN UNKNOWN MALE WHO ASKED IF HE COULD BUY A SHIRT. [REDACTED] SOLD HIM FOR ONE DOLLAR A TAN AND GREEN BLAID BUTTON DOWN, LONG SLEEVE SPORT SHIRT, SIZE MEDIUM, BRAND J. C. PENNEY COMPANY. UNKNOWN MALE PAID FROM A LARGE ROLL OF BILLS AND WHILE PAYING DROPPED THREE WRAPPED ROLLS OF COINS ON THE FLOOR. UNKNOWN MALE CHANGED FROM WHITE DRESS SHIRT HE WAS WEARING IN WAITING ROOM AND PLACED THE WHITE SHIRT IN A LOCKER THERE. ABOUT TWENTY MINUTES LATER, HE WENT OUTSIDE AND A CAB DRIVER ENTERED WHO ASKED TWA CLERK TIME THE NEXT FLIGHT LEAVES. HE WAS TOLD FIVE TEN AM AND LEFT. UNKNOWN MALE THEN RETURNED AND ASKED CLERK SAME QUESTION AND RECEIVED SAME ANSWER. UNKNOWN MALE ASKED THE CLERK IF HE COULD LEAVE COLUMBUS ANY OTHER WAY BECAUSE HE SAID HE HAD TO LEAVE IMMEDIATELY. HE WAS TOLD TO TRY A BUS OR TRAIN, AND PROCEEDED TO TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT THE GREYHOUND BUS COMPANY AND A NUMBER OF RAILROADS. HE WAS OVERHEARD BY [REDACTED] TO SAY THE ONLY TRANSPORTATION SOON ENOUGH FOR HIM WAS A FOUR THIRTY AM GREYHOUND BUS TO LOS ANGELES OR SAN FRANCISCO. THE UNKNOWN MALE HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THE THREE

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[REDACTED]

BOYS WHO WERE CURIOUS AS TO WHY HE HAD NO LUGGAGE. IN RESPONSE TO THEIR QUESTIONS HE TOLD AT TIMES THREE DIFFERENT STORIES; HE HAD NO LUGGAGE, HE LOST IT, AND IT WAS ROUTED TO ANOTHER AIRPORT. HE ALSO TOLD THEM HE HAD AN UNUSED AIRLINE TICKET TO REDEEM BUT DID NOT HAVE TIME TO DO SO. TWA CLERK SAID HE HAD NO TICKET. UNKNOWN MALE THEN CALLED A CAB AND LEFT ALLEGEDLY FOR GREYHOUND BUS TERMINAL.

ABOUT FOUR THIRTY AM, TWO YELLOW CAB COMPANY DRIVERS ENTERED WAITING ROOM AND THREE BOYS OVERHEARD CONVERSATION REGARDING UNKNOWN MALE THAT ONE DRIVER HAD DRIVEN FROM AIRPORT. DRIVER SAID HE WAS SUSPICIOUS OF THIS PERSON WHO SAID HE WAS FROM ST. LOUIS AND WHOM HE HAD DRIVEN TO A PRIVATE RESIDENCE IN THE AREA. DRIVER SAID HE WAS PAID WITH A ROLL OF DIMES WHICH HAD CINCINNATI ON THE WRAPPER. DRIVER SAID HE WAITED OUTSIDE RESIDENCE TO SEE IF SOMEONE WOULD LET THE UNKNOWN MALE ENTER AT THAT EARLY HOUR, AND WAS TOLD BY THE UNKNOWN MALE NOT TO WAIT BUT TO LEAVE. THE DRIVER DID NOT OBSERVE THE UNKNOWN MALE RING A BELL OR ATTEMPT TO ENTER THIS HOUSE. CAB DRIVER ALSO STATED THIS PERSON RESEMBLED PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY THAT HE HAD SEEN IN THE NEWSPAPER.

[REDACTED] ESTIMATED HE OBSERVED AND TALKED TO UNKNOWN MALE FOR ABOUT AN HOUR AND AFTER OVERHEARING CAB DRIVER'S CONVERSATION, THE THREE BOYS, TWO CAB DRIVERS AND TWA CLERK DISCUSSED UNKNOWN MALE AND AFTER VIEWING PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY IN NEWSPAPER, DECIDED THE UNKNOWN MALE CLOSELY RESEMBLED RAY.

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NY [REDACTED]

SOMETIME AFTER FIVE AM, THEY DECIDED TO CONTACT THE FBI WITH THIS INFORMATION. [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY RELATED THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE CINCINNATI OFFICE. HE WAS INFORMED SOMEONE WOULD BE OUT TO OBTAIN THE DETAILS FROM HIM, BUT HE EXPLAINED THAT THEY HAD RESERVATIONS TO LEAVE FOR NY AT SEVEN THIRTY AM AND COULD NOT WAIT AT THE AIRPORT. [REDACTED] ALSO RETRIEVED THE UNKNOWN MALE'S WHITE SHIRT FROM THE LOCKER WHICH HE HAS IN HIS POSSESSION NOW IN NEW JERSEY.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED THE UNKNOWN MALE AS WHITE, MALE, ABOUT FORTY FIVE YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY POUNDS, MEDIUM-HEAVY BUILD, STRAIGHT, MEDIUM LENGTH, LIGHT BROWN HAIR, THIN LIGHT MUSTACHE, TAN COMPLEXION, NO GLASSES, NO NOTICEABLE ACCENT BUT NOT FROM EASTERN OR NORTH EASTERN US. NO NOTICEABLE SCARS, MARKS OR TATTOOS. DRESS DIRTY WHITE SHIRT, CHINO TROUSERS, BLACK SHOES, NO JACKET, NO HAT.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

CLEVELAND, INDIANAPOLIS AND LOS ANGELES ADVISED BY

AIRMAIL.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED] P

DATE: 4/22/68

Attn: SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.

FROM : SA LARRY HUGH PAUL

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

Retel call to Cleveland Office 4/21/68 by GARY G. WHITE.

On 4/22/68 the following individuals at the Waldorf Hotel, 310 Summit St., Toledo, Ohio, were interviewed by SAs LARRY HUGH PAUL and JOSEPH W. WEBER and exhibited photographs of JAMES EARL RAY. Each of these persons advised they seen no one in the hotel or restaurant fitting the description of RAY:

Mr. JACK GOODWIN, Manager (Hotel);
Mrs. VIRGINIA LENWELL, desk clerk;
Mrs. BETTY BODEN, radio operator;
Mr. EFFERD ARMSTEAD, bellhop;
Mrs. HELEN ROGERS, concession operator;
Mr. JOSEPH NISKANEN, Manager (Restaurant);
Mrs. ELEANOR HEFNER, waitress;
Mrs. JEAN BAILEY, waitress

Mr. JACK GOODWIN, Hotel manager, advised that GARY G. WHITE (complainant) was a guest there from 4/1-22/68. WHITE, registered there with his wife, furnished a home address of 11010 N.W. 140 St., Miami, Fla.

LEAD

Case agent may desire to request Miami Division to contact WHITE and interview and display photos of RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

FROM : SA Frank R. Walsh

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: April 22, 1968

ReMemos Clerk GARY D. SHINN dated 4/17/68 (Sers. 147,148).

At Maumee, Ohio:

On 4/19/68 Miss MARLENE COREY was interviewed in the Operations Office, Andersons, Inc., Illinois Ave. Miss COREY stated she had not seen a photo of subject; that enroute to her residence on 4/17/68 she heard a radio broadcast reflected two subjects were believed involved in the MURKIN case and she recalled having been contacted at Anderson's earlier that date by two shabbily dressed white men who inquired re employment. She did not observe type of automobile those men were driving stating same was believed parked just outside the Andersons Office. When shown WF #442 (ERIC STARVO GALT), Miss COREY stated subject does not resemble either of the two men described above & also described in Ref. Serial 148.

At Walbridge, Ohio:

On 4/19/68 Mrs. RALPH PETERS, 115 Clinton St., advised her husband is a PRR employee; that he will not be available for interview at the PETERS residence before 4/22/68.

On 4/22/68 RALPH PETERS was contacted. He stated he was eating in the Lincoln Bar-Restaurant, 916 Jeff. Ave., Toledo during late p.m. of 4/17/68; that he observed a man who seemed to bear some resemblance to MURKIN subject GALT whose photo was shown on TV. However, he stated subsequent thereto he noted subject's photo in local newspapers; that close study of newspaper photos reflect man previously observed by Mr. PETERS bears no resemblance to Subject.



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Memorandum

TO : SAC Cleveland [REDACTED]

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA James F. Kelly

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo Clerk Gary Shinn dated 4/18/68.

On 4/19/68 Edwin Kelley, University Garage 2017 Cornell Ave, Cleveland advised that after seeing the photo of ERIC S. GALT on TV, he recalled that an individual who looked like GALT had been in his garage on April 8 or 9, 1968 and had his 1968 White Mustang serviced and oil changed. He stated that this occurred about 2:00 P.M. that the individual paid for the work in cash; the individual indicated to Kelley that he had driven a long way and Kelley recalled that the car did need a oil change. He stated that the car had Ohio license but could not recall whether they were 1967 or 1968. Kelley recalled this individual wore a white shirt, a tie and dark pants; he not recall observing anything inside the car or anything unusual about the individual.

Kelley stated that this individual looked like the picture of Galt in which he wore a bow tie; he added that this individual appeared to have a shorter hair cut than the one in the picture. Kelley was shown a picture of ~~THE~~ JAMES EARL RAY, however was unable to say whether this photo was a better picture of the individual he had observed. He stated that he had never seen this individual before but felt sure that he would recognize him again and if he appeared at the garage he would immediately call the FBI office.

Kelley was questioned regarding the bartender at a downtown bar who also looked like GALT. He advised that this individual, whom he knew as "JOHNNY" had been employed at the Gazelle Bar across from the Hotel Statler, but that this bar has been out of business for over 2 or 3 years. He added that he knew definitely that "Johnny" is not GALT but thought that his general appearance was similar to GALT.

Kelley added that none of his employees had observed the individual mentioned above.

ALBERT PLUTH, desk clerk, College Motel, 11214 Euclid Ave, located around the corner from the University Garage was shown photos of James Earl Ray, but said he had never seen him before and definitely not at the motel.



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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Airtel _____
(Priority)To: SAC'S, Cleveland [REDACTED]
Memphis [REDACTED]

✓ From: Director, FBI [REDACTED]

MURKIN

Re Cleveland airtel 4-18-68, submitting major case
prints of Linwood Nash Page for elimination purposes.

Latent prints previously reported from the Rebel
Motel in Memphis are not identical with the major case prints of
Page. Major case prints retained temporarily in Latent Finger-
print Section.

1 - Philadelphia [REDACTED]



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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]
ATTENTION: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED]
RE: MURKIN

Re Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, 4/17/68.

Re: LINWOOD HASH PAGE

Enclosed for the Latent Fingerprint Section are elimination prints of LINWOOD HASH PAGE, 1282 Abbe Road, Sheffield Village, Ohio. They are one set of regular rolled impressions, one set of major case prints, and one set of palm impressions.

These prints should be compared with latent prints of value in this matter, particularly the two latent palm prints of value reported on lifts from Room 34, Rebel Motel, Memphis, Tennessee.

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1 - Memphis [REDACTED] (Info)
1 - Philadelphia [REDACTED] (Info)
2 - Cleveland
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

FROM : SA JOHN WALLACE WERTZ

SUBJECT: "MURKIN"
CR

DATE: 4/22/68

On 4/22/68, Capt. RAY ROWLES, Post 2, Summit Co. SO telephonically advised he had been telephonically contacted by ELLIS ROBERTS, a Greyhound Bus driver, who said he had transported a male resembling ERIC GALT on a trip from Akron to Youngstown, last Thursday, 4/18. ROBERTS told ROWLES he would be at the Akron terminal at 10:30 AM.

At 10:30 AM, ROBERTS was contacted at the Greyhound Terminal, Broadway and Center Streets, Akron.

He advised on 4/18 he picked up a passenger at Akron at 2:50 PM. The man had a ticket from Cincinnati to Mansfield, via Medina, to Akron, to Youngstown, to Salem, Ohio. He told the man he would have to get a new ticket and had a brief conversation with the man about the ticket. He then contacted the dispatcher, who advised it would be alright to take the man to Youngstown on the existing ticket.

ROBERTS described the man as a white male, about 35 years old, 5'9" tall, medium build, ruddy complexion, dark hair starting to bleach light in front, eyes un-noticed, wearing a brown spring top-coat, a light yellow sport shirt, dark pants, shoes and socks.

In discussing the ticket with the man, ROBERTS thought the man was quite suspicious. The man talked with a rough Southern accent and was abrupt and unfriendly. After arriving in Youngstown, at about 4:15 PM, 4/18/68, ROBERTS noticed the man had no luggage at all, nor was he carrying any bags or packages. ROBERTS watched for the man around the Youngstown terminal, to see if the man would get the 5:30 PM bus to Salem, but the man did not get the Salem bus. ROBERTS said there is only one bus to Salem per day, with the same driver on it all the time, although he couldn't remember the driver's name.

The following day, ROBERTS saw the photo of ERIC GALT in the newspaper and immediately thought it looked exactly like the man on the bus the preceding day. ROBERTS said he had to wait until this morning to notify his boss, to obtain permission to notify the authorities about the man.

RECOMMENDED LEAD: Youngstown - exhibit photo of GALT to Greyhound Bus Driver who has daily trip to Salem, to determine if he recognizes; or to ticket seller who would possibly refund unused portion of ticket to Salem.



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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED]

FROM : SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/23/68

On this date, ASAC JAMES L. STARTZELL advised he had been contacted by a representative of the "Lorain Journal" who inquired as to what action the FBI was taking in connection with the suspect being held by the Lorain Police Department in connection with the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Lt. KOZAK, Lorain PD, was telephonically contacted by SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR. He advised that CHARLES BISHOP was first noticed by a Lorain Negro policeman who, because of BISHOP's driving a 1968 white Mustang, was believed possibly involved in the KING assassination.

Lt. KOZAK stated that on this date, CHARLES BISHOP voluntarily appeared at the Lorain PD, at which time he was photographed and fingerprinted. Lt. KOZAK advised that BISHOP is described as follows:

Name	CHARLES BISHOP
DPOB	[REDACTED] Memphis, Tenn.
Local Residence	615 West 21st Street Lorain, Ohio
Previous Residence	2214 Hillside Avenue Memphis, Tenn.
Height	6'
Weight	185 lbs.
Hair	Dark, heavy sideburns
Eyes	Brown

Lt. KOZAK advised that BISHOP is driving, as of this date, a 1968 white Mustang bearing Tennessee license [REDACTED]. He stated BISHOP arrived in Lorain and applied for employment at U. S. Steel on 4/5/68 and went to work at U. S. Steel on 4/8/68.

Lt. KOZAK advised he has seen the Wanted Flyer in connection with JAMES EARL RAY and that this individual bears no resemblance whatsoever to RAY.



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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED] (P)
RE: MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Cleveland teletype to Bureau, ET AL, 4/20/68.

Original and one copy of article appearing on page 1, Cleveland Press, 4/23/68, entitled "JAILMATE OF KING SUSPECT GIVES CLUES TO PHONY NAMES".

On 4/20/68, the Cleveland Office was telephonically contacted by a guard from the Cuyahoga County Jail who advised that an inmate, [REDACTED] wished to speak with an FBI Agent in connection with JAMES EARL RAY.

On Saturday, 4/20/68, [REDACTED] was interviewed at the Cuyahoga County Jail by SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR., at which time he advised as follows:

[REDACTED] advised that he is presently incarcerated in the Cuyahoga County Jail, having been arrested on [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] on a carrying concealed weapon charge. [REDACTED] stated he is presently on parole out of Missouri State Penitentiary until [REDACTED]. He stated that he had been serving a 10 year sentence for armed robbery and had served in Missouri State Penitentiary from [REDACTED] at which time he was placed on parole.

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[REDACTED] advised that during this time of incarceration at Missouri State Penitentiary he was in K Hall, cell [REDACTED]. He stated that the Missouri State Penitentiary has one-man cells and that JAMES EARL RAY, during this period of time, was incarcerated in cell 191.

[REDACTED] stated that RAY was a bread man and that he worked in the bakery. He stated that RAY's duties consisted of slicing the bread for the meals and that because of these duties RAY would be up earlier than the other inmates and would usually be back in his cell at 7:00 AM and would be free to come and go as he pleased during meal hours.

[REDACTED] advised that RAY was a racist and many times he heard him discussing his dislike for Negroes.

[REDACTED] advised that he would be considered a friend of RAY's but this was due mainly to the fact that they both had free time and that their cells were near each others and that during break periods they would discuss various matters.

[REDACTED] stated that RAY had no close friends inside the prison and would be considered strictly a loner. [REDACTED] stated that RAY was hooked on amphetamine powders. [REDACTED] stated that RAY always had an "outfit" in his cell, stating that an "outfit" was a nose dropped with a needle with which he would shoot a solution made up from the amphetamine powder into his veins. BOND stated that he considered RAY a "fiend" on amphetamine powders. He stated that he was constantly shooting the amphetamines into his veins. [REDACTED] stated that he was not sure exactly what type of amphetamines RAY used but that he knows that RAY secured the amphetamines through a source in the prison at a price that ranged anywhere from \$50 - \$100 per spoonful. [REDACTED] stated that on occasion RAY would break down the amount of powder he received and in turn would sell it in smaller packages.

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[REDACTED] stated that RAY was a very nervous individual and that he attributed this nervousness to his using amphetamines. He stated that because of the use of this drug RAY was a very poor eater and slept very little. [REDACTED] stated that he did not recall RAY smoking hardly at all and that he drank very little. [REDACTED] stated that RAY would have access to "hooch" made from potato or rice that was made in the prison bakery but that to the best of his knowledge RAY drank very little. [REDACTED] stated that if amphetamine powder was not available RAY would break up "bennies" and use it.

[REDACTED] advised that RAY was strictly a lone wolf and never discussed his own personal background. [REDACTED] stated that RAY was an avid reader of sex books and girlie magazines but that he had never known him to engage in any homosexual acts.

[REDACTED] stated that he did not recall RAY getting many visitors and very few letters. He stated, however, that on occasion when RAY did not have sufficient money to buy the amphetamine RAY would get a letter smuggled out of the prison to some unknown individual who in turn would send a check directly to the inmate RAY was purchasing the drug from and as soon as the check cleared [REDACTED] would get the amphetamine.

[REDACTED] advised that while incarcerated in the Missouri State Penitentiary he had his own little business going which was renting books. He stated it was because of his renting books to RAY he was familiar with the type of books RAY read. He stated that he did not recall specifically but believed that RAY had read practically all of the James Bond series with the exception of "Man With a Golden Gun".

[REDACTED] stated that RAY was a constant reader and that he used to write considerably. He stated that he did not know if RAY was writing letters or what, but that he had observed him on many occasions writing page after page.

[REDACTED] stated that RAY's personal habits, as far as cleanliness of his person, were excellent but he did not keep his cell clean and things would be thrown all over the cell at various times.

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[REDACTED] stated that RAY seldom went to the movies but he did not think this too strange inasmuch as the movies were a source of trouble in the prison where numerous prisoners were knifed by fellow-prisoners on various occasions.

[REDACTED] stated that RAY had talked of escaping on numerous occasions and he believes that on one occasion he had been put into maximum security when he was caught with a rope and a hook. [REDACTED] stated that on another occasion RAY took part in a tunnel job that had been discovered by prison authorities who were unaware who had been involved in this attempt.

[REDACTED] stated that RAY never trusted anyone, that he was suspicious of everyone and had a feeling that everyone was out to get him.

[REDACTED] stated that on occasion he and RAY had talked about the philosophy of FRIEDRICH NIETZSCHE, the philosopher, and he stated it was RAY's feeling that "man can do anything as long as it seems right for him".

[REDACTED] stated that RAY had a habit of pulling at his left ear constantly. He stated it was impossible to be with RAY for any period of time at all without being aware of this.

[REDACTED] after much reluctance, advised that the inmate RAY purchased the amphetamine from was JIM BRADLEY. [REDACTED] described BRADLEY as the "top con" and stated that everyone in the Missouri State Penitentiary would know BRADLEY. [REDACTED] stated that this information being furnished by him must be kept confidential since a retainer is outstanding for him and he may be returned to the Missouri State Penitentiary and he fears retaliation should it be known information furnished by him.

[REDACTED] advised that his wife and child are presently residing with his mother, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that his DOB was [REDACTED] Cleveland, Ohio, and the only other name he has ever been known by was [REDACTED]

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At approximately 6:00 PM on 4/22/68, [REDACTED] telephonically contacted SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR. at which time he advised him that the papers, namely the Cleveland Press, were attempting to contact him since his release from Cuyahoga County Jail on a writ on 4/22/68. BOND stated that his lawyer evidently had contacted the papers in the belief it might help his case. [REDACTED] asked if it were possible for the FBI to prevent the newspapers from printing his name. [REDACTED] was advised that there was nothing that the FBI could do in the way of repressing the newspapers and that inasmuch as it was his own attorney who had made this information available to the newspapers there was nothing that the FBI could do in this matter.

[REDACTED] stated that he then would attempt to have the papers at least keep his name out of the papers when they printed this information.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ALL RESIDENT AGENTS

FROM : SAC CHARLES G. CUSICK

DATE: April 23, 1968

SUBJECT: MURKIN
JAMES EARL RAY, aka.,
Earl James Ray,
W. C. Herron,
Earl James,
James McBride,
James O'Conner,
James Walton,
James Walyon - FUGITIVE

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Date 4/19/68

RE:

MURKIN

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☐ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

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

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS
FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI [REDACTED] (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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RE: JOHN WARNER WILLARD, JR.

Re Cincinnati teletype, 4/17/68.

Enclosed to Memphis and Cleveland is one
copy to each office of a photograph of suspect JOHN
WARNER WILLARD, JR.

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TO ALL SACS RELAY MESSAGE PLAN

FROM DIRECTOR [REDACTED] 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.

done - 4/23/68 mca

*To
Mca
all RA's
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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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THIS IS A RELAY MESSAGE FROM WASHINGTON

THIA IAXXXXX THIS IS FBI DETROIT

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED]

FROM : SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/22/68

Mrs. REBECCA REESE, fountain worker, Miller's Drugstore located at Shaker Square, has advised an individual has been frequenting Miller's Drugstore who resembles JAMES EARL RAY. Photographs have been shown to Mrs. REESE along with other employees at Miller's Drugstore and all have stated there is a resemblance between the individual coming into Miller's usually between 6 PM until 10 PM. Mrs. REESE advised this individual first appeared at Miller's Drugstore on Saturday, 4/6/68, and that he has frequently appeared since that time, and his last appearance was Friday, 4/19/68.

It has been requested that Mrs. REESE telephonically advise the Cleveland Office of the FBI should this individual re-appear at Miller's Drugstore. In the event this happens, the following Agents will be on standby duty at their homes to receive such calls and proceed to Miller's Drugstore in an attempt to identify and eliminate this individual:

<u>AGENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>DATE</u>
RICHARD J. JONES	6 - 10 PM	4/22, 23, 24/68
MILTON P. MANDT	6 - 10 PM	4/22, 23, 24/68
JOHN J. BARRETT	6 - 10 PM	4/25, 26, 27/68
MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.	6 - 10 PM	4/25, 26, 27/68

1 - [REDACTED]
1 - SA JONES
1 - SA MANDT
1 - SA BARRETT
1 - SA MC CANN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: April 23, 1968

FROM : SAC CHARLES G. CUSICK

SUBJECT: MURKIN
JAMES EARL RAY, aka.,
Earl James Ray,
W. C. Herron,
Earl James,
James McBride,
James O'Conner,
James Walton,
James Walyon - FUGITIVE

Set forth below is a summary of information received regarding above captioned case:

At about 6:00 p.m., on April 4, 1968, 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 3:00 p.m., on April 4, 1968, 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 6:00 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

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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 sold to one HARVEY LOWMEYER on March 30, 1968, by Aeromarine Supply Co., Birmingham, Alabama.

Investigation at Memphis disclosed that an individual had purchased a set of binoculars at the York Arms Company in Memphis on April 4, 1968. 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 April 3, 1968, 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, 1967, from a private person in response to a newspaper ad. He paid a total of \$1,995 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 [REDACTED] his height at 5' 11", his weight as 170 and his eyes blue and hair brown.

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The automobile in question, the white Mustang bearing the Alabama tags mentioned above, was recovered in Atlanta on April 11, 1968, and determined to have been abandoned there prior to 9:00 a.m., on April 5, 1968.

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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IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT THE BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT ALL LEADS IN THIS CASE MUST BE COVERED WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AND ALL LEADS MUST BE SET FORTH BY TELEPHONE OR TELETYPE, AND ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION MUST IMMEDIATELY BE BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION.

It is further noted that information contained in this memo should not be disseminated to persons outside the Bureau, but is being provided to assist in any investigation in this matter.

Description of the subject is not set forth at this time since all Agents have been provided IO 4182 which contains complete description - Wanted Flyers are available upon request.

Each Agent should contact all criminal informants and appropriate racial and security informants regarding this matter.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND ([REDACTED])

FROM : SA JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/24/68

A telephonic complaint was received at the Cleveland Office on April 18, 1968 to the effect that an individual resembling GALT had been observed at 9:00 or 9:30 A.M. standing in front of the Shaker Savings and Loan at East 9th and Euclid on that morning.

Surveillances of this area by SAs JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON and JOHN J. JUREY during the pertinent hours on April 19, 22, 23, 1968 failed to reflect anyone who resembled the subject. RAY was not observed.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED]

FROM : SA JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/24/68

~~THOMAS CHAMPION~~, 3726 Pennington, Shaker Heights, Ohio, telephonically contacted the Cleveland Office at 3:50 P.M. on April 22, 1968 and advised that two or three weeks previous a white male resembling subject RAY came to his residence to pick up his TV set to be repaired. Complainant stated that suspect had indicated that he and his wife have "fished" in Mexico in the past. Apparently this comment with suspect's general description made CHAMPION think that he looked like subject RAY.

Complainant advised that the TV man's telephone number was 462-2373. This is listed to Prompt TV Service Company, 2264 Grandview, East Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. ~~MERLIN MORRIS~~, 2264 Grandview, East Cleveland, Ohio, was contacted by SAs JOHN DAVIS ROBERSON and JOHN J. JUREY, at which time she advised that Prompt TV Service is a one-man operation run by her husband out of their home at this address. She stated that her husband has been in the TV repair business for fifteen years, and that they have resided in this home for the past nine years. She described her husband as a white male, 5' 9", 180 pounds, black hair, age 41, born [REDACTED] Lima, Ohio, served in the United States Army for two years, entering about the Summer of 1945. She stated he received a honorable discharge. She advised that he has never been arrested. The IO of the subject RAY was exhibited to her and she advised that there is no similarity between her husband and RAY.

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Memorandum

TO : ALL RESIDENT AGENTS

FROM : SAC CHARLES G. CUSICK

DATE: April 23, 1968

SUBJECT: MURKIN
JAMES EARL RAY, aka.,
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Date: 4/22/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA [REDACTED] (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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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.

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2 - Birmingham	2 - Newark
2 - Charlotte	2 - New Orleans
2 - Chicago	2 - New York City
2 - Cincinnati	2 - Norfolk
2 - Cleveland	2 - Philadelphia
2 - Columbia	2 - Pittsburgh
2 - Houston	2 - Richmond
2 - El Paso	2 - St. Louis
2 - Indianapolis	2 - San Antonio
2 - Jackson	2 - Savannah
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(Priority)

AT [REDACTED]

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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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED] (P)

DATE: 4/23/68

FROM : SA JOSEPH P. DALY, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

JAMES QUINN DAILEY, Owner, Emerald Bar, 2719 Market Street, Youngstown, Ohio was recontacted on 4/23/68 regarding the instant matter. He had the opportunity to review additional photographs of the subject, RAY, and indicated the subject was not identical with the individual who was in his bar on 4/5/68. DAILEY noted RAY is 40 years of age whereas the individual in his bar appeared to be at most 30 years old. He also did not notice the protruding left ear on this individual.

In consideration of the above, no additional investigation of this lead appears warranted at this time.

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TO: SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED] ATT: SA MARTIN MC CANN 4-23-68

FROM: SA JAMES W. DE GARMO, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memof SA Chas. Harvey, 4-20-68 ([REDACTED]).

On 4-23-68 Mrs. MARY SIKORA, 1913 South Hts, Youngstown, Ohio was recontacted and she advised the hitchhiker appeared to be about 45 yrs of age and about 5'2", short and heavy build. She was unable to furnish any additional information other than contained in referenced memo and asked if she would be advised whether her info entitled her to a reward.

Above for info.

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4:20 PM URGENT 4-23-68 AWS

TO CLEVELAND

FROM NEW YORK [REDACTED]

MURKIN;

RE: UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL OBSERVED IN TUCKAHOE, NEW YORK.

THREE INDIVIDUALS OBSERVED AN UNKNOWN MALE IN A RESTAURANT IN TUCKAHOE, NY ON APRIL TWENTY TWO LAST. THEY BELIEVE THE INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLES JAMES EARL RAY AND REPORTED SAME TO TUCKAHOE PD. THE INDIVIDUAL WAS DRIVING A NINETEEN SIXTYSIX BLUE FOUR DOOR CHEVROLET WITH NY LICENSE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION HAS DISCLOSED THAT THIS VEHICLE IS REGISTERED TO LEASE PLAN CORP., GREAT NECK, LI, NY. INVESTIGATION FURTHER DISCLOSED THIS VEHICLE IS LEASED TO ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH CORP., TWELVE HUNDRED BABITT ROAD, CLEVELAND, OHIO, AND THAT ONLY THIS CORPORATION WOULD HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE OPERATOR OF THE VEHICLE.

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CLEVELAND CONTACT WILLIAM WALTERS, ADDRESSOGRAPH
MULTIGRAPH CORPL AND DETERMINE WHO IS OPERATING UNIT AM
ONE ONE ONE FIVE, WHICH IS REPORTED TO BE THE VEHICLE BEARING
NY LICENSE NINE TWO FIVE FIVE B U. THEREAFTER, SET
FORTH APPROPRIATE LEAD TO HAVE INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWED AND
ELIMINATED.

MEMPHIS ADVISED BY AIR AIL.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 4/24/68

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(Priority)TO: NEW YORK [REDACTED]
FROM: CLEVELAND [REDACTED]

MURKIN

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO CLEVELAND, APRIL TWENTYTHREE,
LAST.RE: UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL OBSERVED IN TUCKAHOE,
NEW YORK.INVESTIGATION AT CLEVELAND REFLECTS THAT SIXTYSIX CHEVROLET
WITH NEW YORK LICENSE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IS OPERATED BY
WILLIAM SULLIVAN, THREE TWO TWO SIX TWO HUNDRED FOURTEENTH
PLACE, BAYSIDE, NEW YORK.WILLIAM SULLIVAN WORKS OUT OF THE WESTCHESTER OFFICE OF
ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH, ONE TWO ONE TERRYTOWN ROAD, ELMSFORD,
NEW YORK, AND HIS SUPERVISOR AT THE WESTCHESTER OFFICE OF
ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH IS RAYMOND FUREY, GENERAL SALES
MANAGER.NEW YORK WILL CONTACT WILLIAM SULLIVAN IN EFFORT TO
ELIMINATE AS SUBJECT. AIRMAIL COPY TO MEMPHIS.

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Approved: [Signature]
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FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS [REDACTED] (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.