

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-565)

DATE: 5-22-68

FROM : SA James O. Lang

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re memo of 4-30-68.

On 5-2-68, Mr. Charles Horn, Identification Officer, LPD and Mr. Wm. Dailey, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Allen County, Lima by SA Lang were contacted with regard to the search of their latent prints with prints of RAY.

On 5-7-68 Mr. Horn advised SA Lang he had searched with negative results.

On 5-10-68 Mr. Dailey advised SA Lang he had completed the search with negative results.

On 5-2-68, MR. Arthur Grove, Van Wert, Ohio PD was contacted b SA Lang and his latent prints were searched with negative results.

On 5-2-68, Mr. James Ruhe, Putnam County, Ottawa, Ohio advised SALang neither his office or the Ottawa PD maintain latent prints.

On 5-2-68, Ptl Wm. Lee, Wapakoneta, Ohio PD and Sheriff James Koch, SO, Auglaize County, Wapakoneta, Ohio advised SALang they do not have latent prints.

On 5-2-68, James May COP of St. Marys, Ohio, Robert Frame, Mercer County Ohio SO, and John Wiley, COP Celina, Ohio advised Sa Homer K. Miller their depts do not maintain latent prints.



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Memorandum

TO : SAC Cleveland (137-6)

DATE: 5/24/68

FROM : SA Bruce L. Kreighbaum

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: CV 234-C

Dates of Contact 4/6/68; 5/4, 23/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted LEO MOCERI (92-869) ERNIE LA SALLE (92-630) PAUL DE MAIO (92-3315) MURKIN (44-565)		
Purpose and results of contact ☐ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☐ STATISTIC Racial matters and the recent slaying of Dr. M.L. KING were discussed with source. Source was appraised once again of Buinterest in RM, and agreed to be on the alert for info re racial situation in the CV-Akron area. Source had no infor repossible whereabouts of J.E.RAY. Source stated that although LEO MOCERI claims to have "nothing going" for himself, he still visits Warren and Youngstown, Ohio. He contacts "DOPE" DELSANTER in Warren. He also visits Cleveland, Ohio, and contacts JACK WHITE while there. MOCERI wants to visit California, but is reluctant to do so for some reason. He recently moved from the Portage Hotel, Akron, where he had been staying. His associate, ERNIE LA SALLE, likes the Portage Hotel, since it is "an old folks home". To the source's knowledge, LA SALLE remains at the hotel. PAUL DE MAIO continues as manager of Trueman's Inc., North Main Street, an employment area of Akron. Source said DE MAIO appears prosperous, but displays no great wealth. He continues to spend long hours at the agency, and is observed		
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in the company of LEO KOCHER and EMMIE LASALLE, reported LCN members. Source commented that if DE MAIO is "an outfit man", he certainly is not too active, ~~AA~~ since he has no apparent racket connections. At one time source suspected DE MAIO might be using his back office for horse booking, but inquiry among bettors in the area failed to indicate DE MAIO was involved in either booking or numbers. As far as source could determine, DE MAIO is legitimate, with possibly an occasional involvement in some caper with KOCHER, specifics not known. Source maintained that DE MAIO has long done KOCHER's bidding, and this relationship would no doubt continue as long as they are associated together.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: Memphis)

THREATS AGAINST SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY
 MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION
 OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BY
 ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.
 INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Cleveland teletypes (2) to Miami dated 5/23/68,
 and Miami teletype to Bureau dated 5/24/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM
 suitable for dissemination. Four copies of this LHM are
 being furnished to Washington Field and Atlanta. Two
 copies of this LHM are being furnished to Cleveland,
 Memphis and Richmond.

Miami will furnish Memphis investigative inserts
 concerning captioned matter under separate cover.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
 - 2 - Washington Field (Enc. 4) (RM)
 - 2 - Atlanta (44-2386) (Enc. 4) (RM)
 - ② - Cleveland (Enc. 2) (RM)
 - 2 - Memphis (44-1987) (Enc. 2) (RM)
 - 2 - Richmond (Enc. 2) (RM)
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MM 44-1854

Source referred to in LHM is CV 346-C, whose identity is known to the Bureau.

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AUTOMOBILE, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Miami, Florida

May 24, 1968

Re: THREATS AGAINST SEN. ROBERT F.
KENNEDY, MIAMI, FLORIDA, FOLLOWING
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KING, JR. BY ROLAND CHESLEY TALBOTT, JR.
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Roland reportedly carries weapons in his car and is accompanied by a large, vicious Doberman pinscher dog.

Roland was identified by the Miami Office of the FBI as Roland Chesley Talbott, Jr. Talbott operates a white Mustang and breeds Doberman pinscher dogs. He is a former member of Klavern #6, United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and last attended a meeting of Klavern #6 on September 11, 1967.

A characterization of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is contained in the appendix section of this memorandum.

Talbott is described as follows:

Name	Roland Chesley Talbott, Jr.
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of birth	
Place of birth	Richmond, Virginia
Height	6'
Weight	170 pounds

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Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Occupation	Auto mechanic
Home address	525 N. E. 129th Street Miami, Florida
Wife	Louise

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TO : ALL AGENTS

DATE: 5/21/68

FROM : SAC CHARLES G. CUSICK

SUBJECT: MURKIN

It is to be noted that in Bureau airtel dated May 10, 1968 the Bureau advised that for information and investigative assistance, subject JAMES EARL RAY took a bartending course in Los Angeles, California during the early part of 1968, and prior to his departing Los Angeles in March of 1968, he made several telephone calls to country clubs in an effort to obtain employment.

The Bureau desires that the above should be born in mind in covering leads in connection with this and other cases.

The Bureau has also instructed that subject JAMES EARL RAY's name should constantly be brought to the attention in your contacts with police departments concerning possible robbery or burglary suspects, and their cooperation obtained in having victims of recent robberies or burglaries review photographs of RAY in an effort to obtain a possible identification. Photographs of RAY will be available to you upon request from the case Agent.

It is requested that each Agent bear the above in mind in all contacts with police and continued efforts should be maintained in an effort to develop any possible information concerning JAMES EARL RAY.

SUBJECT IS CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 23, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-680521090 JK**

Examination requested by: **Philadelphia**

Reference: **Airtel 5/20/68**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised separately regarding the
results of the fingerprint examination and disposition
of Q347 and Q348.**

**DO NOT INCLUDE ADMINISTRATIVE
PAGE(S) INFORMATION IN
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Philadelphia (44-1368) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

① - Cleveland (44-565) Enclosure (Lab report) Red 10

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)
Re: MURKIN
CR

Date: May 23, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-680521090 JK

Specimens received 5/21/68

- Q347 Envelope postmarked "Mansfield, Ohio APR 23 1968 PM" bearing typewritten address "Rev. Hal Lloyd United Presbyterian Church Germantown, Pa."
- Q348 Accompanying sheet of white paper bearing typewritten message dated April 17, 1968, beginning "This may be the..." and signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

Specimens Q347 and Q348 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file. The watermark "Four Star Bond Southworth Co. USA 25% Cotton Fiber" appears on Q348. The Southworth Company is located in West Springfield, Massachusetts. No indented writing or other identifying features were noted on Q347 and Q348 which might indicate the immediate source of these two items. The typewriting on Q347 and Q348 is not identical to that on other typewritten items which emanated from "Eric S. Galt." The signature on Q348 bears a pictorial resemblance to other signatures in the "Galt" name appearing on items previously submitted; however, the poor line quality and the presence of certain characteristics indicate that the signature on Q348 was not prepared by the subject, James Earl Ray. The typing habits, spelling, grammar, etc. of Q348 differs considerably from those features of previous Galt material.

Q347 and Q348 will be returned separately. Photographs were made.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Cleveland (137-1314)

DATE: 5/27/68

FROM : SA JAMES O. LANG

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: CV 595-C

Dates of Contact		
5/21/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
ANTHONY METZGER, aka -FUGITIVE	88-7968 (SA J. LANG)	
MURKIN	44-565 (SA MC CANN)	
ANGELO DATOE, aka ET AL	165-136 (SA J. LANG)	
CRIME CONDITIONS		
CLEVELAND DIVISION	92-718	
Purpose and results of contact		
☐ NEGATIVE		
☒ POSITIVE		
☐ STATISTIC		
JAMES V. D'AMATO, aka. 165-768 (SA PETERSON)		
CI advised that he had not seen subject METZGER nor had he seen subject RAY.		
CI advised that he had not been to the Hilltop Recreation in Lima, Ohio and had no additional information about ANGELO DATOE.		
CI advised that an individual by the name of STONY who has or had an interest in the Jo Jo Bar in Delphos, Ohio, and an individual named JOHNNY may have been partners in a crap game at the Alley Cigar Store in Delphos, Ohio. CI could not furnish the names of either STONY or JOHNNY but stated he would endeavor to secure these and would endeavor		
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to determine if the crap game is still going on at the Alley Cigar Store. He said that in the event it is, he will attempt to determine the people who are running the crap game and other individuals who are patronizing the game.

CI advised that he had gone to the SAM SPIEZIO Restaurant in Lima, Ohio and in April of 1968 and had placed a horse bet with SAM SPIEZIO betting \$2 to win on a race in New York and \$2 to show. He said the following day he was paid off and his horse did happen to come in second and he won approximately \$9. He said that he was given a slip with the horse's name, his name, and the amount bet but had lost this slip when someone had broken into his car and had stolen some tools and apparently had stolen or destroyed the slip of paper.

CI said that SPEIZIO approximately a year or so ago had laid off bets with MARION BUTORIC who operates the Hilltop Recreation which is owned by ANGELO DATOE. CI said he did not know whether BUTORIC was still accepting layoffs from SPEIZIO but would endeavor to determine this. CI said that he did not know whether SPEIZIO was able to secure the race results on the same date of the race or not but would endeavor to determine this. CI said that over a year ago he was at a race track with his wife and accidentally bumped into SAM SPEIZIO and SPEIZIO's girlfriend who works in the restaurant and he was of the impression that SPEIZIO called Youngstown, Ohio to obtain the name of a horse that was running in one of the races in Toledo.

Youngstown, Ohio
5/27/68

INSERT: ATTN. SA McCANN

RE: MURKIN,
Civil Rights

Re Miami teletype to Director, Cleveland and Cincinnati dated 5/22/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANK G. DOUDS *on 5/24/68*:

Mr. ~~XXXXXX~~ BRYD JAY LANE, 5094 Kusmaul Ave., Champion, Ohio phone 847-9466 on interview advised he had not seen his nephew in over a year. At that time, he had stopped over night with his wife and baby travelling from Melrose Park, near Chicago, Ill. to the home of relatives of his wife, somewhere in West Virginia. He stated he felt sure if his nephew, DALE WHITMAN, comes through this area he would stop. He stated he knows nothing about his nephews relatives in West Virginia, and where they reside or their names.

He stated prior to going to Florida and before his nephew separated from his wife, they resided at 1415 16th Ave., Melrose Park, Ill.

He stated if DALE WHITMAN stopped at his residence, or at the following relatives he would advise so that he could be interviewed

- 1) ROBERT LANE, 3620 Rio Vista Rd., Leavittsburg, Ohio
- 2) Mrs. JESSE OSBORNE, 433 Champion Ave. E, Champion, Ohio
- 3) NOAH LANE, 687 Valerie Lane, Whitehall, Columbus, Ohio
- 4) RAY LANE, 2380 Valley Rd., RD Niles, Ohio.

Mrs. JESSE OSBORNE, aunt of DALE WHITMAN, and RAY LANE, uncle of ~~DALE~~ DALE WHITMAN on interview advised they have heard nothing from him in over a year. They stated they would advise if he stopped through this area enroute to someother destination so that he could be interviewed.

ROBERT LANE, 3620 Rio Vista Rd., Leavittsburg, O. on interview advised he has heard nothing from his nephew in over a year. He stated he would not stop at his home but if he came through the area he would stop and see BRYD or RAY his brothers.

SAFRANK G. DOUDS,

44-565-400

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Cleveland (137-1897)

DATE: 5/16/68

FROM : SA HOMER K. MILLER

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R

SUBJECT: ROGER RADER (formerly
CV677-C)

Dates of Contact 4/25/68 - 5/10/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted		
UNSUB; Sherry Ann Picitti	31-5397 (SA SCHWARTZ)	
WILLIAM JUNE MITCHELL, ET AL	166-331 (SA J. ANDERSON)	
MURKIN	44-566 (SA MC CARTHY)	
RICHARD COSTELLO	31-5394 (SA MILLER)	
RACIAL MATTERS, LIMA, OHIO RA	157-258	
Purpose and results of contact		
☐ NEGATIVE ☐ POSITIVE ☒ STATISTIC		
CRIMINAL CONDITIONS, CLEVELAND DIVISION		92-718
<u>UNSUB; Sherry Ann Picitti</u>		
PCI was shown a photograph of the victim, SHERRY ANN PICITTI and also a photograph of one LAWRENCE. He stated that he could not say that he had ever seen these individuals before and did not know of a prostitute by the name of PICITTI operating in the Lima area or present and did not know a pimp by the name of LAWRENCE.		
<u>WILLIAM JUNE MITCHELL, ET AL</u>		
PCI was shown a photograph of HELEN JACOBS, and stated that he could not identify this person and had never heard of a prostitute by this name working in the Lima area.		
☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Same	Coverage Same
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On April 25, 1968, CI was shown a photograph of RAY - the IO and advised that he had never seen this individual and that the name meant nothing to him and he had never heard of ERIC STARVO GALT.

RICHARD COSTELLO

CI advised that as far as he knew, RICHARD COSTELLO was still living at Key Largo, Florida and that he had not seen COSTELLO in the Lima, Ohio area. PCI advised that he has known LEONARD FAUROT for a number of years and that LEONARD FAUROT had for years operated the Phillips Kohn Company which is a pawn shop located on East Market Street near the Public Square. PCI stated that FAUROT had also purchased some kind of a restaurant or bar at Key Largo, Florida and that he considered FAUROT to be a very wealthy man. He stated he almost considered FAUROT to be a millionaire. PCI advised that he had heard the name of POLLY mentioned but that he could not identify this person and did not know whether or not this woman POLLY was working for FAUROT in Florida or not. He stated the name BREEN did not mean anything special to him.

PCI advised that he knew of no particular close connection between LEONARD FAUROT and DICK COSTELLO and that COSTELLO's close associate was NICK GRISBY who reportedly has a bar of some kind at Key Largo, Florida across from where FAUROT has a restaurant or bar. He stated that BRISBY is an old time gambler from Lima, Ohio and that as far as he knew COSTELLO was pretty thick with BRISBY.

PCI described LEONARD FAUROT as a white male, about 55 to 60 years old, height - 5'9", weight - 165 pounds, hair - greying and has a little beard. He stated that this appearance of FAUROT made him look a little bit like a Rabbi.

CRIMINAL CONDITIONS
CLEVELAND DIVISION

PCI advised that prostitutes and pimps continued to hang around the Waldo Hotel, Lima Public Square and WILLIE WRIGHT's night club. He stated, however, that this was nothing

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new and that this had gone on for a period of years. PCI said that he knew of no particular pimps or prostitutes who hung around there, but added that as far as he was concerned they were probably local and he knew of no interstate transportation by any prostitutes by any pimps. PCI advised that apparently there had been some gambling going on at the Rendezvous Club which is operated by NINA MAE BEACHUM and ROBERT BEACHUM. He advised that NINA MAE BEACHUM reportedly still had her house of prostitution at 114-116 East Pearl Street, Lima, Ohio, but that he had not been in that area for several weeks. He stated that this again was nothing unusual that NINA MAE had been a long time madam and operator of a house of prostitution for several years at that address.

PCI advised that another madam who operates is a MINNIE SERGEANT (phonetic), who has the former pent House Motel on US 30 North, between Delphos and Lima, Ohio. He stated that he stopped by the restaurant operated by MINNIE SERGEANT about two weeks ago and there was a blond girl working behind the counter. He stated that it was his belief this blonde girl was a prostitute but that he had never seen her before. PCI advised that the system MINNIE SERGEANT uses is to get girls to work as waitresses and that the girls would prostitute on the side.

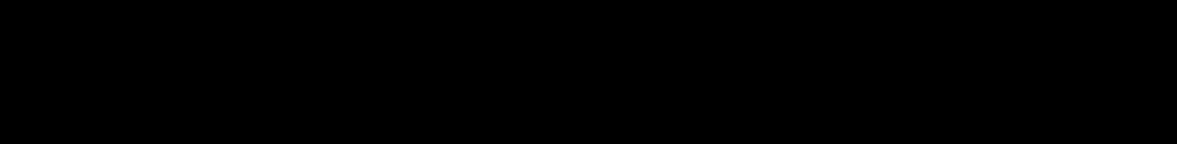
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PCI advised that no information had come to his attention that would indicate that any racial violence was anticipated in the Lima area in the immediate future. He stated that he had received no information concerning any particular racial problems.

MISCELLANEOUS

PCI advised that LONNIE SCARBERRY, a hoodlum in Lima, Ohio had recently been sentenced to 180 days in the Toledo Workhouse and also had been fined heavily. He stated that this has been as a result of SCARBERRY beating up a 16 year old girl. [REDACTED]

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PCI advised that he is presently fully employed as a truck driver by Scherman Truck Company in Lima, Ohio but that he usually is in Lima most of the time particularly in the evening. He stated he presently resides at 1035 North Main Street and that he could be reached through his telephone number which is 2270588.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: May 28, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-680527001 JKRe: MURKIN
CRRequest received 5/24/68
~~Specimens received~~
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Request for comparison of evidence submitted with Philadelphia communication dated 5/20/68 and evidence submitted with Miami communication dated 4/11/68

Result of examination:

The items submitted with Miami communication dated 4/11/68 (Q124, Q125 and Q126) contain only questioned hand printing while the letter and envelope (Q347 and Q348) submitted by Philadelphia communication dated 5/20/68 bear only typewriting and the handwritten signature "Eric S. Galt."

Because of the different means employed to prepare the questioned items previously mentioned they could not be satisfactorily compared.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1987)**

Date: **May 28, 1968**

Re: **MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-680527001 JK**

Examination requested by: **Cleveland**

Reference: **Airtel 5/23/68**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

② - Cleveland (44-565) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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5/29/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)
RE: MURKIN

ReBuairtel, 5/9/68 to all SAC's and LEGATS.

In above referenced communication, the Bureau directed that all offices should contact the Bureau of Vital Statistics or similar agency in their States to cover the possibility that subject may have died since the commission of the crime. It was also pointed out that if no central record repository is maintained, appropriate inquiries relative to unidentified dead should be made during the course of normal business with appropriate agencies and reasonable investigation should be pursued.

In an effort to broaden this coverage, Dr. SAMUEL GERBER, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, National Association of Coroners and also coroner, Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio, who has cooperated with this office in the past and of whom there is no derogatory information, was contacted and he advised he is presently the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the National Coroners Association. Dr. GERBER advised that this group consists of approximately 2400 members throughout the country. He stated that he has access to the addressograph plates and he would be most happy to make these plates available to circularize the Bureau's Identification Order to the various members.

Dr. GERBER stated that in his opinion, if the Identification Order would be accompanied by a short letter from the Director, indicating that this was being done with the cooperation of the National Coroner's Association, it would create much more interest in the recipients of the letter and would obtain a higher degree of cooperation and awareness as to the contents.

- 3 - Bureau
 - 2 - Milwaukee
 - 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)
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Cleveland has prepared the following letter with the Bureau's approval, if the circularization meets with Bureau approval:

"Dear Sir:

In cooperation with the National Association of Coroners, I am enclosing an Identification Order which contains the name, aliases, description and fingerprint classification of James Earl Ray, who is wanted in connection with the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

I would appreciate your bringing the information and photographs contained in this Identification Order to the attention of your staff and request that they remain on the alert for a possible identification of James Earl Ray by them during the course of their employment.

Should any information come to your attention in this matter, I would appreciate your notifying the FBI Office nearest you as noted on the back of the enclosed Identification Order.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I remain.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover,
Director"

Dr. GERBER stated that as a rule, only bodies that have met with violent deaths or have not been identified are taken to the morgue in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. However, he stated that many individuals who have died of natural causes do pass through a coroner's office where there is no physidan available to sign the death certificate.

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Dr. GERBER stated that many deceased do not pass through a coroner's office or medical examiners office when the death certificate is signed by a physician. In such cases, the body goes directly to a mortician. Dr. GERBER stated that the Executive Secretary for the National Funeral Directors Association is HOWARD RATHER, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Recommendations and Requests:

- 1.) Bureau will furnish the Cleveland Office with 2500 Identification Orders #4182, along with Bureau approval for Cleveland to circularize this Identification Order with a letter from the Director as set forth above.
- 2.) At Milwaukee, Wisconsin: Will contact HOWARD RATHER, Executive Secretary, National Funeral Directors Association, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in an effort to see if it is possible to utilize mailing list of members for circularization of Identification Order. This contact will be made subsequent to 6/6/68, UACB.
- 3.) Will consider furnishing National Headquarters of American Dental Association, dental chart of JAMES EARL RAY if available from records of Missouri State Penitentiary, and circularize same to members of the American Dental Association.

5/31/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)
RE: MURKIN

Re Miami teletype to Director, Cleveland and Cincinnati dated 5/22/68.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA FRANK G. DOUDS on 5/24/68:

Mr. BRYD JAY LANE, 5094 Kusmaul Ave., Champion, Ohio, telephone 847-9466, on interview advised he had not seen his nephew in over a year. At that time, he had stopped overnight with his wife and baby, traveling from Melrose Park, near Chicago, Illinois to the home of relatives of his wife, somewhere in West Virginia. He stated he felt sure if his nephew, DALE WHITMAN, comes through this area, he would stop. He stated he knows nothing about his nephews relatives in West Virginia and where they reside or their names.

He stated prior to going to Florida and before his nephew separated from his wife, they resided at 1415 16th Ave., Melrose Park, Ill.

He stated if DALE WHITMAN stopped at his residence or at the following relatives, he would advise so that WHITMAN could be interviewed:

ROBERT LANE, 3620 Rio Vista Rd., Leavittsburg, Ohio

Mrs. JESSE OSBORNE, 433 Champion Ave. E, Champion, Ohio

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - Cincinnati
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - Miami (44-1854)
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NOAH LANE, 687 Valerie Lane, Whitehall, Columbus, Ohio

RAY LANE, 2380 Valley Road, RD, Niles, Ohio

Mrs. JESSE OSBORNE, aunt of DALE WHITMAN and RAY LANE, uncle of DALE WHITMAN, on interview advised they have heard nothing from him in over a year. They stated they would advise if he stopped through this area enroute to some other destination so that he could be interviewed.

ROBERT LANE, 3620 Rio Vista Rd., Leavittsburg, Ohio, on interview, advised he has heard nothing from his nephew in over a year. He stated he would not stop at his home, but if he came through the area, he would stop and see BRYD or RAY, his brothers.

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Airtel

To: SAC's, Philadelphia (44-1368) - Enc. (2)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Philadelphia airtel 5-20-68 submitting an envelope addressed to Rev. Hal Lloyd, Q347, and accompanying typewritten message, Q348.

One latent palm print of value developed on the envelope, and five latent fingerprints of value developed on the message. The latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #405942G. No palm prints here for Ray. Latent print searches were conducted through single fingerprint file, but no identification effected.

Envelope and message enclosed to Philadelphia.

Laboratory report separate.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, TAMPA

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN ✓

On the evening of 5/27/68, DYRELL DENNIS, previously described as girlfriend of subject JAMES EARL RAY and interviewed by the Milwaukee Division, telephonically contacted the Milwaukee Office and advised she urgently needed to talk to SA WILLIAM Y. DORAN. Upon contacting DENNIS, she advised she had just left a bar known as the New Yorker on 605 North Fifth Street where she had observed three men. She stated that one of the men was familiar to her, and she recognized him as being from the Hollywood Blvd. and Western Blvd. area of Los Angeles, California, and that he was living in that area and frequenting the same bars as she during the same period of time that she knew JAMES EARL RAY to be living in that neighborhood. She stated the man had changed his appearance from that of a stumblebum in California to that of a businessman in Milwaukee. In the conversation with DENNIS, she indicated there may be some connection between JAMES EARL RAY and the above-described man, whom she could not identify by name.

- 2 - Tampa (AM-RM)
 - 1 - Birmingham (Info) (AM-RM)
 - ② - Cleveland (AM-RM)
 - 2 - Memphis (AM-RM) (44-1987)
 - 1 - Milwaukee (44-388)
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On the same date, GEORGE BEMIS, Bartender, New Yorker Bar, 605 North Fifth Street, advised he recalled three men being in his cafe at approximately the time DENNIS had called the Milwaukee Office. He stated the three men were merchant seamen operating on the Great Lakes and had mentioned that they would be shipping out in the early AM of 5/28/68.

Following the interview with GEORGE BEMIS, efforts were made to locate and interview the three unknown males, which efforts were successful.

The man described by DYRELL DENNIS was determined to be ~~ROSS WESLEY STEVENS~~, who gave his home address as 1021 Highview Drive, Lake Wales, Florida. He stated he was a steward aboard the Edward S. Kendrick, a ship belonging to the Wilson Line, Cleveland, Ohio. During the course of the interview, STEVENS denied ever having been in Los Angeles, California, denied knowing DYRELL DENNIS, and denied any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY. STEVENS is further described as a white male, 5'9", 180 lbs., date of birth [redacted] brown hair, brown eyes (note: color of eyes listed as brown on his Florida Driver's License; however, visual observation relates eyes are gray). PII

On reinterview with DYRELL DENNIS, she stated she does not feel she is mistaken in stating she knew this individual by sight in Los Angeles, California, during early March, 1968.

LEADS

CLEVELAND DIVISION

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Will contact Wilson Line Shipping Company and through records of that Company, attempt to determine whereabouts of ROSS WESLEY STEVENS during March, 1968.

TAMPA DIVISION

AT LAKE WALES, FLORIDA

Will conduct credit and criminal re ROSS WESLEY STEVENS and make appropriate inquiries to determine authenticity of his story.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Miami teletype to Bureau, 5/22/68.

Search of current directories, city and telephone, on 5/24/68 disclosed NOAH L. and NORMA E. LANE reside 687 Valerie Lane, Whitehall (Columbus), Ohio. Employment is recorded as attendant, Great Eastern Pure Oil, 4600 E. Main Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Records Credit Bureau of Columbus, Inc., searched 5/24/68 by Mrs. CARLA JACQUES, disclose residence of NOAH LANE to be 687 Valerie Lane. He is listed as employed as mechanic, Glenn Davis Pure Oil Station, Main and Hamilton Road, since 5/65. He has a "B" credit rating.

Neighborhood inquiry and investigation at Glenn Davis Pure Oil 5/24/68 disclosed LANE no longer employed there and he was not at his residence all day. Whereabouts was not ascertained on 5/24/68.

NOAH LANE was located and interviewed 5/27/68. He is employed Purdie Metals, Inc., 650 N. 4th Street, Columbus, Ohio. He claims not to know current whereabouts of his nephew, DALE WHITMAN, and has not seen him for more than one year. About four months ago LANE said he had heard WHITMAN was living at Del Ray Beach, Florida, then about three weeks ago he was allegedly living near his mother, Mrs. GORDON YOST, or Mrs. WHITMAN, at Boca Raton, Florida. He said the family is not close knit but should he learn of the whereabouts of DALE WHITMAN he promised to notify the contacting agent.

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1-Miami (44-1854) (Info)
1-Los Angeles (44-1574) (Info)
1-Memphis (44-1740)
1-Cincinnati

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

FROM : SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/3/68

Re Bureau radiogram, dated 5/22/68.

It is to be noted that in above reference JOSEPH BOYLE, Resident Manager of the Salvation Army Home, located on East 9th Street, downtown Cleveland, was contacted and furnished an I.O. of JAMES EARL RAY. Mr. BOYLE advised that he would alert his staff to be on the lookout for RAY.

LOU HEDRICKS was contacted at the Salvation Army, 5005 Euclid Avenue. Mr. HEDRICKS advised that he has the wanted fliers of JAMES EARL RAY and that he has been on the alert for this individual. He further advised that he will continue to be on the alert and to advise the rest of the staff concerning this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

FROM : SA MARTIN P. MC CANN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 6/3/68

Re memo of SPC BRICE A. WESTHOVEN, dated 5/23/68, Serial 401, Cleveland File 44-565.

At approximately 1:50 AM on May 23, 1968, having been notified of information contained in above referenced memo, the writer telephonically contacted MARY SEMAN, bar-maid at the Chippewa Inn, located on the corner of Route 176 and Route 82, telephone number 526-7404.

This call was made as per above referenced memo, an individual resembling JAMES EARL RAY was supposedly in the bar. MARY SEMAN advised that she resided at 1300 Seneca Apartment 302, Broadview Heights, Ohio, telephone number 237-7140. When the call was made to her at approximately 1:50 AM, she advised that the individual who resembled RAY had departed and that the license number of the car he left in was 1968 Ohio License DD 5475, and was a station wagon.

MARY SEMAN stated that this individual, who she described as a white male, 5'11", 170 pounds, 37 years of age, had come into the Chippewa Inn approximately one month ago, and that she had served him during the course of the evening. She stated when she left the bar for her home that night, he met her in the parking lot and wanted to see her home. She stated that she refused and that when she got into her own car and drove home, this individual followed her. She stated as she attempted to enter her apartment, he once again tried to persuade her to let him accompany her to her apartment. She stated that she once again refused and was able to get into her apartment and lock the door behind her. She stated he remained in the area for some time before driving away.

MARY SEMAN stated that this individual mentioned

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that he was from Chicago, and his first name was JIM. She stated that he also advised he had lived in Los Angeles and that he works for the IBM Company. She further advised that he had told her that he had been in the Cleveland area for about one year and lived in North Royalton.

MARY SEMAN was advised that inasmuch as the individual had departed, she would be contacted the next day in an effort to have her provide any additional information.

The Department of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, advised that License Number DD 5475 was registered to a JAMES EDWARD MAHER, 8527 South Akins Road, North Royalton, Ohio, for a 1964 Pontiac Station Wagon.

On May 23, 1968, MARY SEMAN was contacted at her apartment, and shown photographs of JAMES EARL RAY. Upon looking at the photographs of RAY, she stated that there was a slight resemblance, but that she did not think now that it was the same individual.

Mrs. RUSS RAYMER, 8555 Akins Road, North Royalton, Ohio, next-door neighbor of JAMES EDWARD MAHER, was contacted on May 23, 1968, and advised that the MAHERs had moved into 8527 Akins Road, around February, 1967. She stated that JAMES MAHER and his wife drove a white station wagon and that they had two children.

Mrs. RAYMER advised that the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY was definitely not JAMES EDWARD MAHER.

On May 23, 1968, Mrs. PATRICIA MARIE MAHER was contacted, and she advised she and her husband, JAMES EDWARD MAHER, resided at 8527 Akins Road, North Royalton, Ohio, and have resided there since March of 1967. She advised that her husband's date of birth is at Chicago, Illinois. She stated that he is presently the manager of the Control Data Group, Leader Building, Cleveland, Ohio. She advised that he was transferred by this company from the Chicago Office in March of 1967.

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No further investigation is being conducted in this matter, inasmuch as from the above, it has been shown that the individual referred to in the call in the above referenced memo is not identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

FROM : *[Signature]*

SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 5/31/68

Re CV letter to CI, 5/20/68.

On 5/20/68, contact was had with Mrs. BONNIE FERGUSON, Supervisor, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Department of Health, State of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio, who advised records of unidentified dead are maintained on a statewide basis. They are maintained at Columbus. Since the records are not current and it will take several weeks to compile the April statistics, Cincinnati Division is now handling the lead and will report results as soon as they become available. It is possible leads may be set out to conduct investigation at places where unknown deceased are located.

Cincinnati is handling lead referred to by Cleveland.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565)

DATE: 6/3/68

FROM : SA BRUCE L. KREIGHBAUM

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: Memphis

WILLIAM HIBBS, 632 Morningview, employed B.F. Goodrich Company, advised on 5/31/68 that the Selinsky Moving Company, Canton, Ohio, was moving some B.F. Goodrich Company materials from 500 South Main St., Akron, Ohio, to 45 North Summit St., Akron. HIBBS noticed that one of the Selinsky Moving Company employees resembles JAMES EARL RAY. He described this man as a white, male, late 40s, 5'9" to 5'10", with greying hair.

LEAD

CLEVELAND

AT CANTON, OHIO

Will at Selinsky Moving Company, determine the identity of instant company's employees involved in moving B.F. Goodrich Co. materials at Akron on or about 5/29/68, and thereafter determine tenure of employment, etc., in an effort to establish whether or not employee mentioned above could be identical to RAY.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) (P)
RE: MURKIN - COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel, 4/19/68; CV telephone call to Memphis, 6/4/68.

The following statistics pertain to the CV Division for the month of May, 1968:

1. Number of man hours:

Special Agents:
Regular hours - 154
Overtime hours - 32

Clerical Employees: 43

2. Mileage: 829

3. \$30

4. 21 Agents

Regarding category number 3 above, the \$30 was expended for a chartered plane to and from Pelee Island, Ontario, Canada, by SA ROBERT A. QUAINANCE on 5/9/68. Bureau approval was obtained.

The above information was telephonically furnished to SA HARLEY E. GYFLE, Memphis Division, on 6/4/68.

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, TAMPA

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-565) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Milwaukee airtel to Tampa and interested offices dated 5/28/68.

Mrs. J. HALE, Ship Personnel, Wilson Marine Shipping Company, 2100 Illuminating Building, Cleveland, Ohio, advised their records reflected the following concerning ROSS WESLEY STEVENS:

Address	1021 Highland Drive Lake Wales, Florida (since April 1, 1963)
Previous Address	610 Hesperides Road Lake Wales, Florida
DOB	[REDACTED]
POB	Conneaut, Ohio
Wife	KATHLEEN
Children	one

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No military service listed.

Mrs. HALE advised their records further reflected that ROSS WESLEY STEVENS was sent an appointment and report notice from the Cleveland office to his current address in Lake Wales, Florida, on 3/18/68 requesting him to report to the Wilson Line Ship Edward S. Kendrick on 3/30/68.

- 2 - Tampa (AMRM)
 - 1 - Birmingham (Info) (AMRM)
 - 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (AMRM)
 - 1 - Milwaukee (44-388) (AMRM)
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Mrs. HALE advised that R. W. STEVENS has been employed by the Wilson Marine Shipping since 3/7/53 and he has been on the Edward S. Kendrick since 1958. She advised that his position aboard ship is and has been chief cook. She advised their records reflect his work is listed as excellent, sobriety excellent, dependability excellent.

Mrs. HALE stated that R. W. STEVENS was on a layoff status from 11/10/67 until he was recalled on 3/18/68. She advised that records reflect that he reported to the Edward S. Kendrick at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on 3/30/68. She advised that this is the town where R. W. STEVENS had received his layoff notice on 11/10/67. She stated that the Edward S. Kendrick sailed from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on Sunday, 4/7 in the p.m., and its first port of call was South Chicago, Illinois, second port of call Silver Bay, Minnesota, to pick up ore and then it returned to Cleveland.

It is noted that records of Wilson Marine failed to reflect whereabouts of ROSS WESLEY STEVENS for the early part of March as requested in above-referenced airtel and Wilson Line records contain no information as to the whereabouts or activities of STEVENS from the time of his layoff on 11/10/67 until he returned aboard ship on 3/30/68.

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DIRECTOR, FBI 061655 GR 325

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MURKIN.

FOR INFORMATION ALL OFFICES AND NOT TO BE DISCLOSED TO ANYONE OUTSIDE OF OFFICE IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THROUGH INVESTIGATION THAT SUBJECT JAMES EARL RAY RESIDED IN CANADA FROM APRIL EIGHT SIXTY DASH EIGHT UNTIL MAY SIX SIXTY DASH EIGHT UNDER NAMES PAUL BRIDGMAN AND RAMON GEORGE SNEYD. SUBJECT DEPARTED CANADA FOR LONDON, ENGLAND, ON MAY SIX LAST AND IS BELIEVED USING CANADIAN PASSPORT USING LAST NAME ~~XXX~~ SNEYD. SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE WEARING GLASSES.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE DEVELOPEMENTS REVIEW OF DRIVER'S LICENSE BUREAU RECORDS AS REQUESTED IN BUREAU RADIOGRAM MAY TWO ONE LAST MAY BE DISCONTINUED.

OFFICES COVERING POINTS OF ENTRANCE INTO U.S. SHOULD PLACE APPROPRIATE STOPS WITH BORDER AND CUSTOM AUTHORITIES UNDER NAME OF RAMON GEORGE SNEYD. NO INDICATION WHATSOEVER SHOULD BE GIVEN THAT THERE IS ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN SNEYD AND KING ASSASSINATION. YOU MAY ADVISE AUTHORITIES THAT INDIVIDUAL USING NAME SNEYD IS BEING SOUGHT BY FBI FOR UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT FOR CHARGE OF ROBBERY.

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FOR INFORMATION OF BORDER OFFICES THERE IS ACTUAL PERSON RESIGING IN TORONTO, CANADA WHO IS EMPLOYED BY TORONTO POLICE DEPARTMENT NAMED RAMON GEORGE SNEYD. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH USED BY SUBJECT IN OBTAINING PASSPORT. THIS IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION IN EVENT BORDER STOPS DISCLOSE THAT INDIVIDUAL NAMED SNEYD IS ENTERING YOUR TERRITORY. COPIES MAILED WFO.

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DAILY SUMMARY.

RE DALLS TEL JUNE SIX LAST, BUREAU RAD JUNE SIX LAST,
SPRINGFIELD TEL JUNE FOUR AND FIVE LAST, WFO AIRTEL MAY THREE ONE
LAST, RE PEN PAL CLUBS.

PAUL BRIDGEMAN MAY BE IDENTICAL TO FORMER FELLOW INMATE OF SUBJECT
RAY, PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN, AKA., PAUL JAMES BRIDGEMAN, MSP NO. ONE
ZERO ONE THREE FOUR, BORN [REDACTED] WINCHESTER, IND.,
WHO WAS RECEIVED AT MSP FROM JACKSON COUNTY, KANSAS CITY, MO., APRIL
TWO THREE, SIXTY-FIVE, AND WAS DISCHARGED JAN. SIXTEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT,
AND WAS NOT ON PAROLE. BEFORE BEING TRANSFERRED TO PRISON LIMITED
SECURITY SECTION AT MOBERLY, MO., ON MARCH SEVEN, SIXTY-SIX, BRIDGEMAN
WORKED IN THE MSP KITCHEN AND COULD HAVE HAD CONTACT WITH SUBJECT RAY.
WARDEN SUSPECTS BRIDGEMAN IS HOMOSEXUAL.

EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE BRIDGEMAN IN KANSAS CITY AREA
HAS IDENTIFIED HIS GIRLFRIEND DURING APRIL AND POSSIBLY PART OF MAY
SIXTY-EIGHT IN KANSAS CITY AREA AS JACQUELINE "JACKIE" KLINE, AKA.,
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JACQUELINE GOLDSTEIN, KAYE ROSENBERG, WHO IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
AGE TWENTY-FOUR, DOB [REDACTED] WF, FIVE FEET FOUR,
TWO HUNDRED LBS., DYED RED HAIR, EYES BROWN, EMPLOYED AS PRACTICAL
NURSE, DRIVING SIXTY-EIGHT WHITE TWO-DOOR CHEVROLET MALIBU THREE ZERO
SEVEN, BEARING SIXTY-EIGHT KANSAS YELLOW ON BLACK LICENSE J OVER O
NINE THREE ZERO FOUR THREE.

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PAUL OSBORN BRIDGEMAN LEFT KANSAS CITY PROBABLY THE FIRST PART
OF MAY AND JACQUELINE KLINE LEFT KANSAS CITY ON SUNDAY, JUNE TWO,
SIXTY-EIGHT PROBABLY TO MEET BRIDGEMAN, BUT DECLINED TO TELL ASSOCIATES
HER DESTINATION.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO., KANSAS CITY, MO., PROTECT
IDENTITY, FURNISHED A LIST OF TOLL CALLS MADE FROM THE TELEPHONE OF
KAYE ROSENBERG, FIVE FOUR THREE EIGHT SKYLINE DRIVE, SHAWNEE MISSION,
KS., FROM APRIL NINETEEN TO MAY NINETEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT. TELEPHONE
CALLS WERE MADE TO THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS: EIGHT TWO EIGHT DASH SIX
FIVE FOUR FOUR, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.; EIGHT TWO NINE DASH SIX NINE
TWO ONE, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.; AD FIVE DASH EIGHT ZERO SEVEN ZERO,
RICHARDSON, TEXAS; ME ONE DASH ONE EIGHT EIGHT ZERO, DALLAS, TEXAS;
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