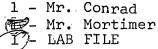


1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long 2260)



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

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

April 16, 1968

MURKIN

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00: Memphis

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-560466 JK

John Edgar Hoover, Director

D-560467 JK

PC-A 5616 IZ

PC-A 5618 IZ

Examination requested:

Document - Microscopic

Airtels 4/9/68, 4/9/68

Examination requested by: Sanffrancisco, Albany

(Hairs and Fibers Miscellaneous)

Remarks:

Reference:

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2-San Francisco (173-65) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report) 2-Albany (44-493) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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# REPORT of the



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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Re: MURKIN CR Date:
FBI File No.
Lab. No.

April 16, 1968 44-38861 D-560466 JK D-560467 JK PC-A 5616 IZ PC-A 5618 IZ

Specimens received 4/11/68, from FBI, San Francisco

- Kll Piece of white cloth containing three samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal Model H5Kl, Serial Number 31353, obtained from Superior French Laundry, 1284 West Grand Avenue, Oakland, California
- Kl2 Seven samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model RMH 65401, Serial Number 34163, obtained from Highland Cleaners, Inc., 1201 La Salle Avenue, Seaside, California
- Kl3 Five samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, series 106C4, Serial Number 34690, obtained from Sterling Cleaners & Laundry, 140 Howard Avenue, Burlingame, California
- K14 Two Sanford Cleaners laundry lists containing eleven samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H5L4, Serial Number 32506, obtained from Stanford Drive In Cleaners, 2875 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, California
- K15 Twelve samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H5L4, Serial Number 32503, obtained from Cherry Chase Cleaners (Golden State Dry Cleaners) 2175 Winchester, Campbell, California

Specimen received 4/11/68, from FBI, Albany

K16 Three samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal Machine, Model #H5Kl, Serial Number 31358 which were returned to Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, on 3/15/68, by Superior French Laundry, 1284 W. Grand Avenue, Oakland, California

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Result of examination:

The three purple tapes in Kl1, five orange tapes in Kl3, and the light pink tapes in Kl4, are different from the laundry tapes removed from Q69 and Q70 in color and length.

All the other tapes in Kll through Kl5 are similar to the 069 and 070 tapes in color, construction and composition.

The three laundry tapes, K16, are similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition. One of these tapes is the same length as the Q69 and Q70 (1 1/16 inches); the other two are longer.

The printing characteristics in the laundry tags represented by K11 through K16 were found to differ from the impressions appearing on the Q69 and Q70 Taundry tags.

Specimens K11 through K16 have been retained.

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LAB FILE

#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560467 JΚ

Examination requested by: SAC, Albany (44-493) Airtel 4/9/68

Examination requested: Document, Microscopic

Date received: 4/11/68

Result of Examination:

(Hairs and Fibers) Miscellaneous

Examination by: Mortimer

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#### Specimens submitted for examination

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AIRTEL.

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (44-493) (P)

RE: MURKIN CR

(OO: Memphis)

Re Albany teletype to Bureau 4/8/68.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are three tapes from Thermo-Seal Machine, Model #H5Kl, Serial Number 31358, which were returned to Textile Marking Machine Co., Syracuse, N.Y., on 3/15/68, by Superior French Laundry, 1284 W. Grand Ave., Oakland, California.

The Imboratory is requested, in accordance with Bureau instructions, to compare the enclosed tapes with tapes on T-shirt and shorts recovered on 4/4/68, and to furnish results of Memphis.

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#### Laboratory Work Sheet

MURKIN Re:

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00: Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560466 JK

D-560467 JK

PC-A 5616 IZ

PC-A 5618 IZ

Examination requested by:

SEC, San Francisco (173-65)

Airtel 4/9/68

Examination requested:

Document, Microscopic (Hairs and Fibers)

Date received:  $\frac{1}{1}/68$ 

Result of Examination:

Miscellaneous

Examination by: Mortimer

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TO ME: (44-1987)

TICK, MR ROSEN (MK LONG 2260)

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MORTIMER

#### Specimens submitted for examination

Piece of white cloth containing three samples of marking tape printed NI KII by Thermo-Seal Model H5Kl, Serial Number 31353, obtained from Superior Franch Laundry, 1284 West Grand Avenue, Oakland, California

Seven samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model RMH 65401, NI KIZ Serial Number 34163, obtained from Highland Cleaners, Inc., 1201 La Salle Avenue, Seaside, California

Five samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, series 106C4, Serial KI3 Number 34690, obtained from Sterling Cleaners & Laundry, 140 Howard Avenue, Burlingame, California

Two Sanford Cleaners laundry lists containing eleven samples of marking NI KILL tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H514, Serial Number 32506, obtained from Stanford Drive In Cleaners, 2875 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, California

Twelve

Exercise samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H5L4, Serial Number 32503, obtained from Cherry Chase Cleaners (Golden State Dry labusport Cleaners) 2175 Winchester, Campbell, California

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM:

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

SUBJECT: MURKTN

ReButel, dated 4/8/68.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are five envelopes containing tape samples obtained from the firms listed in referenced Bureau teletype located in San Francisco territory.

No samples were obtained from the Marshall Steel Company, Oakland, California, as they last used Thermo-Seal marking machine seven or eight years ago.

Cherry Chase Cleaners is the successor to the Golden State Dry Cleaners, Campbell, California.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct examination of enclosed laundry tape samples as requested earlier by the Bureau and/or Hemphis.

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<sup>1 -</sup> Birmingham (INFO)(AM)(RM)

<sup>2 -</sup> Memphis (AM) (RM) (44-1987)

<sup>1 -</sup> San Francisco MTG/sms #11

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

LAB FILE

Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis (14-1987)

File # 144-38861 Lab. #

# D-560466 JK

50-A 56/6 #

Examination requested by:

SAC, San Francisco (173-65)

Airtel 4/9/68

Examination requested:

Document, Microscopic

Date received:

<sup>1</sup>√11/68

Result of Examination:

(Hairs and Fibers)
Miscellaneous

Examination by: Mornismes

Specimens submitted for examination

Piece of white cloth containing three samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal Model H5Kl, Serial Number 31353, obtained from Superior Franch Laundry, 128L West Grand Avenue, Oakland, California

Seven samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model RMH 65h01, Serial Number 3h163, obtained from Highland Cleaners, Inc., 1201 La Salle Avenue, Seaside, California

Five samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, series 106Ch, Serial Number 34690, obtained from Sterling Cleaners & Laundry, 110 Howard Avenue, Burlingame, California

Two Sanford Cleaners laundry lists containing eleven samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H524. Serial Number 32506, obtained from Stanford Drive In Cleaners, 2875 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, California

Twelve printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H5L4, Serial Notes Notes 12000 Printed by Thermo-Seal, Model H5L4, Serial Notes 12000 Printed Branch Pri

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#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

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Memphis (44-1987)

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560467

FC-A 5618 1Z

Examination requested by:

SAC, Albany (44-493)

Airtel 4/9/68

Examination requested: pocument, Microscopic

Date received: 1/11/68

Result of Examination:

(Hairs and Fibers) Miscellaneous

Examination by: Mortimer

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in color, construction and composition. One

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the other two are longer.

Specimens submitted for examination

KD.6 Three samples of marking tape printed by Thermo-Seal Machine, Model #H5K1, Serial Number 31358 which were returned to Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, on 3/15/68, by Superior Franch. Laundry, 128h W. Grand Avenue, Oakland, California

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1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long Rm. 2260)

1 - Mr. Conrad

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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 16, 1968

Re: MURKIN

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00: Memphis

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No. ' D-560459 JK

D-560463 JK

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PC-A5608 IZ

PC-A5609 IZ PC-A5610 IZ

Examination requested:

Letter 4/10/68

Remarks:

Reference:

Document - Microscopic (Hair & Fibers) Miscellaneous

Airtels, 4/9/68 and 4/10/68.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Los Angeles in this matter dated 4/11/68.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

Examination requested by: Los Angeles, Las Vegas

Philadelphia

- 2 Las Vegas (157-133) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 2 Philadelphia (44-1368) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
- 2 Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

JHM: AW (12)

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

FBI. Memphis (44-1987) To:

FBI File No. 44-38861

Date: April 16. 1968

MURKIN CR

Lab. No.

D-560459 JK

D-560463 JK

D-560464 JK

PC-A5608 IZ

PC-A5609 IZ

PC-A5610 IZ

Specimens received 4/10/68. from, FBI Las Vegas

K8 Three tape strips of marking tape utilized by the Monarch Laundry, 1430 South Main, Las Vegas, Nevada, two of which bear the code 028-6, and one bearing the code MOX72.

Specimen received 4/11/68, from FBI, Philadelphia

K9 Piece of white cloth containing six samples of thermo-seal marking tape obtained from Thermo-Seal Identification Machine, Model H5L1, Serial Number 32052, operated by Barclay Laundry, 1478 Broadway, Camden, N.J.

Specimen received 4/11/68, from FBI, Los Angeles

Piece of paper and a cloth square each containing twelve samples of laundry marking printed by a thermo-seal marking machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Company, Syracuse, New York, and obtained from Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California

Result of examination:

The three pink tape strips in K8 and K9 are similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color, construction and composition.

The twelve laundry tapes (KlO) are similar to the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes in color. construction and composition.

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Five of these tapes have the same length (1.1/16 inches) as Q69 and Q70. The other nine are longer, either 1.3/32 inches or 1.1/8 inches in length.

The K8 and K9 tapes were found to differ in printing from the tapes appearing on Q69 and Q70.

The tapes comprising K10 are of varying lengths; however, no significant differences were noted between the Q69 and Q70 laundry tapes when compared with some of the K10 tapes indicating they may have originated from the same machine.

Specimens K8, K9 and K10 are retained.

Page 2 D-560459 JK D-560463 JK D-560464 JK PC-A5608 IZ PC-A5609 IZ PC-A5610 IZ

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#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN

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00: memphis

File # 44-38861.

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D-500-464 JKS

PC-A560B IZ

OC-A5609 IZ PC-A5610 IZ

Examination requested by: Las Vegas (157-133) airtel 4-9-68

Examination requested: Document - Microscopic

Date received:

4-10-68

(Hairs and Fibers) - Miscellaneous Result of Examination:

Examination by:

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Specimens submitted for examination

Three tape strips of marking tape utilized by the Monarch Laundry, 1430 South Main, Las Vegas, Nevada, two of which bearing the code MOX72. К8 SV

Report to

2-Memphis (1987) (44-1987)

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MR. ROSEW (MRLONG 2260)

CC: 2-LV (157-133)

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LAB FILES

#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKTN

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00:Memphis

(44-1987)

44-38861 File #

D-560463 Lab. #

JK

Examination requested by:

SAC, Philadelphia (44-1368)

Letter 4/10/68

Examination requested: Document, Microscopic

Date received: 4/11/68 PERS. DEL. 645A SMITH

(Hair and Fibers)

Examination by: Mortimer

Result of Examination:

Miscellaneous

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#### Specimens submitted for examination

Piece of white cloth containing six samples of thermo-seal marking tape obtained from Thermo-Seal Identification Machine, Model H511, Serial Number 32052, operated by Barclay Laundry, 1478 Broadway, Camden, N. J.

LAB FILE

#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

MURKIN

CR

(44-1987) 00: Memphis

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560464

JK

Examination requested by:

SAC, Los Angeles (44-1574)

Airtel 4/10/68

Examination requested:

Document - Microscopic (Hair and Fibers)

Date received:

Markiner 4/11/68

Result of Examination:

Miscellaneous

Examination by:

Mortimer

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#### Specimens submitted for examination

K10 Piece of paper and a cloth square each containing twelve samples of laundry marking printed by a thermo-seal marking machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Company, Syracuse, New York, and obtained from Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California

Recorded 4-10-68 fmd

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN File # 44-38861 Lab. # D-560459 JK

PC-A 5608 312

Las Vegas (157-133) airtel 4-9-68 Examination requested by:

Examination requested: Document - Microscopic

Date received: 4-10-68

(Hairs and Fibers) - Miscellaneous

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer

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Specimens submitted for examination

**K8** Three tape strips of marking tape utilized by the Monarch Laundry, 1430 South Main, Las Vegas, Nevada, two of which bearing the code 6 02B-6, and one bearing the code MOX72.

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#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

MURKIN

CR.

00:Memphis

(14-1987)

File #

44-38861

D-560463

63 JK

Examination requested by:

SAC, Philadelphia (44-1368)

Letter 4/10/68

Date received:

4/11/68

Examination requested:

Result of Examination:

Document, Microscopic

(Hair and Fibers)

Miscellaneous

Examination by:

Mortimer

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the Q69 and Q70 laundy tapes in color

construction and composition.

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Specimens submitted for examination

K9 Piece of white cloth containing six samples of thermo-seal marking tape obtained from Thermo-Seal Identification Machine, Model H511, Serial Number 32052, operated by Barclay Laundry, 1178 Broadway, Camden, N. J.

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au 11/8" - 20 - 2"

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#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis (141-1987)

File # 14-38861

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PC-A 5609

Examination requested by:

SAC, Los Angeles (44-1574)

Airtel 4/10/68

Examination requested:

Document - Microscopic

Date received:

Result of Examination:

(Hair and Fibers)

Examination by: 4/11/68

Mortimer

to the Q69 and Q70 laundy tapes in color, with composition. Fine of the tape are the same length (1'111") as 969 and 970. The ather nine are longer (in length) time either 13/32" or 1'18".

Specimens submitted for examination

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#### 11/10/68

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) (ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY)

SAC. LOS ANGELES (44-1574) FROM:

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed are a paper sheet and a cloth square, each containing 12 semples of laundry marking printed by a Thermo Seel marking machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Company, Syracuse, New York. These samples were obtained on 4/10/68 from Miss LUCY PINELA, manager, Home Service Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 5280 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

The paper sample was obtained by SA's FRANCIS G. KAHL and LLOYD D. JOHNSON. The cloth sample was obtained by SA's FRANCIS G. KAHL and DENNIS LEMASTER.

The Bureau is requested to compare these samples with markings on the clothing that was apparently abandoned by Unsubin Memphis. Samples need not be returned, and more can be obtained if the Bureau so desires.

Information copy being furnished Memphis, inasmuch as that office is origin.

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1 - Bureau (44-38861) (Encs. - 2) (AM-RM) (44-1987) (Info.) (AM-RM)

1 - Los Angeles GJM:CM

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM:

SAC, LAS VEGAS (157-133) (P)

MURKIN

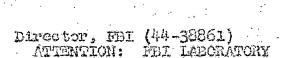
Re Las Vegas teletype 4/8/68.

Enclosed herewith are three tape strips of marking tape utilized by Monarch Laundry, 1430 South Main, Las Vegas, Nevada. The tapes were made available to SA DONALD M. HOLLAND by ROBERT KELLER, owner, Monarch Laundry.

Two of the tapes bear the code which appeared on the laundry believed to be that of Unsub, 02B-6. One tape bears the code used by Monarch, MOX 72. The tapes are being forwarded for comparison with the tapes located on the clothing of Unsub.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 3) (RM) 1 - Las Vegas

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4/20/68

SAC, Philadelphia (44-1368)

MRKIN

There is transmitted herewith by Special Agent courier six camples of Thermo Scal marking tape obtained from Thermo Scal Identification Machine, Model H511, Scrial Number 32052. This machine was operated by the Barolay Laundry, 1478 Broadway, Camden, N.J. JACK OSOKOW, Managor, Barolay Laundry, advised that his firm does not utilize the letter "O" in its identification markings and that D2B-6 was utilized by one of his Bub-contractors, JACK STEIN, 307 South 23rd Street, Philadelphia.

JACK OSOKOW, Managor, Barolay Laundry, 253 South 10th Street, was recontacted by SA EDWARD A. SMITH and advised that there were many Thormo Seal marking machines utilized by major laundries in the Philadelphia area. He stated cach of the usors may utilize their own particular coding system and in his case D2B-6 indicated that D represented the fourth week, 23 the lot number, and 6 the customer number. He stated this code system has a one-time use and is utilized for inventory control and location of lost loundry orticles. He advised there are 10 plain colors willized in Thermo Seal machines plus three striped colors and that under the present system it would be possible to re-use the same number after a 72-week cycle. He stated it is probable that in laundries throughout the United States there could be several instances of this . exact code number coming up on red Therms Seel tape. He further advised there were no restrictions on utilization of any specific code on this machine.

3 - Bureau (44-38861) - Philadolphia (44-1368)

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Baroley Laundry also utilizes a Thermo Scal machine which must use six digits rather than five. Samples of this machine were not obtained.

The THI Laboratory is requested to compare sample tapes with evidence obtained in MURKIN case.

Mr. Conrad

April 15, 1968

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W. D. Griffith

MURKIN

The General Investigative Division has forwarded to the Laboratory as anonymous letter which was received from the Department, dated April 9, 1968 addressed to the Attorney General. This letter names one Edward Gerst as the individual responsible for the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King. The letter further describes this individual as an East German communist who is now in Cuba trying to return to England where he will find friends who will get him back to East Germany.

As the result of an indices search, a reference was located for one Edward Sherman Gerst, Bureau File 67-418747, who was a Bureau applicant in 1947 at which time he was 18 years of age.

The writings appearing in the personnel file of Edward Sherman Gerst have been compared with the writings submitted in this matter attributable to the unknown subject also known as Eric S. Galt. Nothing of significance was noted between the available writings of Edward Sherman Gerst and the afore-mentioned writings of Eric S. Galt; however, these known writings were prepared over twenty years ago when Gerst was 18 years of age.

1-Kr. Mohr

1-Mr. Deloach

1-Mr. Rosen (Mr. Bates 22558)

1-Mr. Conrad

1-Mr. Griffith

-Mr. Mortimer

1-Bulile 67-418747

JHH: AW (8)

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Memorandum to Mr. Conard-Re: MURKIN CR

The fingerprints of Gerst have been compared with unidentified latents in this matter and found not to be identical.

The above-mentioned letter has been searched in the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions included in this file.

This letter is also being processed for latent fingerprints.

RECOMMENDATION: None, For information.

Laboratory Work Sheet

LAB FILE

Re: MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

File # 44-388-6 / Lab. # 10-5-60668 JK

Examination requested by: Burea

Examination requested: Document, Fingerprint

Date received: 4/12/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Mortimer

no ident a L7. an. by memo dated 4-15-65 JAMak

#### Specimens submitted for examination

Q136 Air Mail envelope postmarked at Clarksville, Tenn., April 9, 1968, addressed to "Mr. Ramsey Clark Att. General, U. S. Washington, D. C.

Q137 First sheet of accompanying handwritten letter dated April 9, 1968, beginning "The man you are seedking...."

Q138 Second sheet of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "...that this man..." ending "...our country."

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#### TRUE COPY

Apr. 9 '68

Att. General Ramsey Clark Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The man you are seeking who killed Martin L. King is named Edward Gerst. He is an East German Communist, and is now in Cuba trying to return to England where he will find friends who will get him back to E. Germany.

He must be found for he will strike again. He is tall, fair haired, blue eyed, scar like a dagger on left hand. Hair now dyed black to disguise himself. He walks very rapidly.

This is not a crank letter. It is urgent that this man be found before he strikes again as he seeks revolution in our country.

(Anonymous)



Mr. Mortimer Lab File - Mr. Conrad 1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long Rm, 2260)

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

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FBI File No. 44-33861

Lab. No.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

D-560573 JK

Examination requested by: Jackson, Baltimore

Airtels, 4/10/68, 4/10/68

Examination requested:

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Jackson (157-9586) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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

Top: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

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Specimens received

Date: **April 15, 1968** 

FBI File No. 44-33861

MURKIN Lab. No.

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K17 Piece of blue cloth containing eleven samples of yellow tape markings of "O2B-6," "MIF14" and "MIF15"

4/11/68. from FBI. Jackson

K18 Four strips of tape with no lettering and two sample marking tapes with lettering "W 2H 13" and XEP 15"

Specimen received 4/11/68, from FBI, Baltimore

K20 Four samples of tape markings printed with Thermo-Seal Machine, Serial Number 32500, obtained from Star Laundry, 908 N. Salisbury Boulevard, Salisbury, Maryland

Result of examination:

It was determined that neither of the machines used to prepare the markings on K17 and K20 was employed to affix the markings appearing on the laundry tapes which were affixed to Q69 and Q70, while the strips of tape, represented by K18, were found to differ in size from the questioned tapes.

K17. K18 and K20 have been retained.

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LAB FILE

#### Laboratory Work Sheet

MURKIN Re:

00: Memphis

(44-1987)

File # 44-33861

Lab. # D-560575

D-560573 515

Examination requested by: SAC, Jackson (157-9586)

Airtel 4/10/68

Examination requested:

Document, Microscopic (Hairmand-Ribers)

Date received: 4/11/68

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Result of Examination:

Miscellaneous

Examination by:

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Report to Me (44-1987)

ce: 2-JN(157-9586)

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#### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

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Memphis: (44-1987)

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560573 JK

Examination requested by:

SAC, Baltimore (44-699)

Airtel 4/10/68

Examination requested:

Document, Microscopic

Date received:

4/11/68

Result of Examination:

(Hairs and Fibers)
Miscellaneous

Examination by: Mortimer

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#### Specimens submitted for examination

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM:

SAC, BALTIMORE

(44-699)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

Re Albany teletype, 4/8/68.

STAR LAUNDRY, SALISBURY, MARYLAND

Enclosed are four (4) samples (Code O2B-6) obtained from Thermoseal Machine, SN 32500, located at Star Laundry, 908 N. Salisbury Boulevard, Salisbury, Maryland, 4/8/68, by SA RICHARD F. MAYO.

ALFRED H. SMITH, JR., President, Star Laundry, furnished these samples and stated 02B-6 is not his code.

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	MURKIN OO: Men	nphis	
	4/9/68.	Re Bureau teletype 4/9/68 and Al	bany teletype
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JN 157-9586

"O2B-6" or "D2B-6" are not markings of his company. His tape is 5/16 inch laundry-marking tape made by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. His laundry purchases this tape from F. H. Ross and Rudolph Ramelli, both of Jackson, Mississippi. This tape comes in eight to ten colors; however, red is not a good color, in that the ink from the machine tends to fade and run on red tape.

EMMONS made available a sample of cloth with several samples of tape markings, yellow in color. He numbered the lettering on the tape as "O2B-6", "MIF14," and "MIF15." He made available other items described in paragraph one which are enclosed for the Bureau.

The managers of the Rudolph Ramelli Company and F. H. Ross Company, both of Jackson, Mississippi, advised that the only machine handling Thermo-Seal to his knowledge in the central and southern portions of the state is the Phoenix Laundry in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. They do not handle northern Mississippi.

### LEAD:

### AT BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare lettering and strips of tape enclosed with the two articles recovered at the scene of the shooting 4/4/68, a white Jockey T-shirt and checkered print undershorts, containing cloth laundry tags allegedly made by a Thermo-Seal marking machine manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York. Results should be immediately furnished Memphis and interested offices.

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1 - Mr. Clark, 7132

- Office, 7183

4/13/68

#### PLAINTEXT

TELETYPE

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TO SACS NEWPHIS (44-1987) ATLANTA (44-2986)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA LETTERS APRIL ELEVEN AND TUBLUE CONCERNING ITEMS
FROM MUSTARG AND BUTEL APRIL TWELVE.

PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED RECEPTED COMPOSED OF BROWN COTTON,
GREEN COTTON AND GREEN RAYON FIBERS LIKE THOSE COMPOSING BEDSPREAD
AND WHICH COULD HAVE COME FROM BEDSPREAD FOUND ON SWEATSHIRT, TWO
BED SHEETS, SHIRT JACKET, PILLOWCASE, BLACE SHIRT, WALKING SHORTS,
RUG, PILLOW AND SOCKS FROM MUSTANG.

BROWN READ HAIRS OF CAUCASIAN ORIGIN WERE PREVIOUSLY FOUND ON BEDSPREAD, IN BLUE SUITCASE AND ON HAIRBRUSH AND SOCKS FROM BLUE SUITCASE. HEAD HAIRS LINE THE ABOVE HAIRS AND WRICH COULD HAVE COME FROM BAME PERSON FOUND ON SWEATSHIRT, BED SERVES AND RUG FROM MUSTANG. HAIRS CANNOT HE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AS ORIGINATING FROM A PARTICULAR PERSON.

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TELETYPE TO SACS MEMPHIS (44-1987) ATLANTA (44-2386)

### MURKIN

LIQUID FROM WINDSHIELD WASHER BAG IDENTIFIED AS WATER. NO TRACES OF ANY ALCOHOLS SUCH AS USED IN WINDSHIELD WASH WAS IDENTIFIED IN THIS SPECIMEN.

SOILS FROM MUSTANG AND DEBRIS FROM FLOOR OF MUSTANG DIFFER FROM SOIL FOUND ON BEDSPREAD AND DID NOT COME FROM SAME BOURCE. IF FEASIBLE MEMPHIS SHOULD OBTAIN SOIL SAMPLES FROM WHERE BEDSPREAD WAS ABANDONED AND WHERE CAR WAS PARKED PRICE TO GETAWAY AND SUBBIT TO LABORATORY FOR ELIMINATION PURPOSES. REPORT FOLLOWS.



1 - Mr. Mortim l - Lab File

1 - Mr. Conrad

1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long Rm. 2260)

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Washington, D. C. 20535

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Examination requested by: Atlanta, Boston

Date: April 12, 1968

MURKIN

CR

00: Memphis

FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

D-560380 JK

John Edgar Hoover, Director

D-560340 JK

PC-A5564 JV

Letter 4/8/68, Airtel 4/8/68 PC-A5571 JV

Examination requested:

Document - Microscopic (Hair and Fibers)

Remarks:

Reference:

Miscellaneous

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Boston (157-644) Enclosures (2) (2 Labreport)

2 - Atlanta (44-2386) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 - Albany Enclosure (Lab report)

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

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Re: MURKIN ...

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Date: April 12, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560380 JK
D-560340 JK
PC-A5564 JV
PC-A5571 JV

Specimens received 4/9/68, from FBI, Atlanta.

K1 Five sample laundry tapes bearing Code #028-6, from machine used by Blum's Individual Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co., Macon, Ga.

Specimens received 4/9/68, from FBI, Boston

- K2 Four pieces of paper each containing laundry marks on red tape obtained from four separate thermo-seal machines manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc. and used by Superior Laundry Co., Inc.
- K3 Partial roll of unused red tape obtained from Superior Laundry Co., Inc. 625 Concord Ave., Cambridge, Massachusetts

Result of examination:

The printing on the K1 and K2 tags was found to differ from that appearing on the laundry tags affixed to the Q69 shorts and the Q70 T-shirt.

The fabric tape in K1, K2 and K3 is similar in color, construction and composition to the fabric tape used on the two laundry tags attached to Q69 and Q70. The submitted items have been retained.

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### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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### Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN

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00: Memphis

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560380

D-560340 JK

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Examination requested by:

SAC, Boston (157-644)

Airtel 4/8/68

Examination requested: Document, Chem (Miscellaneous)

Date received: 4/9/68

Result of Examination: MISCELLAN POUS

Examination by: Mortimer

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Re: MURKIN

File # 44-38861

Lab. # D-560340 JK

Examination requested by: SAC, Atlanta (44-2386) Letter 4/8/68

Examination requested: Document, Chem(Miscellaneous)

Date received: 4/9/68

Result of Examination: Examination by: Mortimer

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### Specimens submitted for examination

KI Five sample laundry tapes bearing Code #02B-6, from machine used by Blum's Individual Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co, Macon, Gan.

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4-8-68

DIRECTOR, FBI
Attention: FBI Laboratory

SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, Memphis and Albany, dated 4/8/68.

Transmitted herewith are five sample laundry tapes bearing Code # 02B-6.

Enclosed sample tapes were obtained from from Thermoseal tape machine, Serial Number 31973, Model H5L1, owned and operated by Blum's Individual Laundry and Dry Cleaning Co., 463 Cotton Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

Investigation at Blum's revealed this establishment does not use a code similar to Code #02B-6. Their code consist of 1- through 99 for lot number, a letter for week and last two digits for bundle numbers running -1 through 20. Red tape is used by Blum's for special work. They do not ordinarily place a tape on small items such as shorts unless the work only consists of two or three items. Blum's machine has only five characters. The tape is cut one and one eighth inch long and there is no indication that the machine has malfunctioned in the past causing tape to be cut one and one sixteenth inch long.

TBI Laboratory is requested to compare enclosed sample tapes with tape from suspect's shorts previously submitted by the Memphis Office.

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TO:

DIRECTOR. FBI

(Attention: FBI Laboratory)

FROM:

SAC. BOSTON (157-644)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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(00: Memphis)

Re Boston teletype to Bureau 4/8/68.

Enclosed for the Laboratory are four pieces of paper each containing laundry marks on red tape which were obtained from four separate thermo-seal machines manufactured by Textile Marking Machine Co., Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., and a partial roll of unused red tape, furnished by PAUL CAMPBELL, President and General Manager, Superior Laundry Co., Inc., 625 Concord Ave., Cambridge, Mass.

For the information of the Laboratory, CAMPBELL advised that his machines print six digit numbers. He advised that his company prior to 9/67 or 10/67 used a code whereby all six digits were used as follows:

First three digits would be numbers; then two dashes; followed by a letter.

His company presently uses a code of six digits as

follows:

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first two digits are numbers; then a dash; then one number; then a dash; and then a letter.

CAMPBELL viewed a photograph of laundry tape which was on the tee shirt and undershorts, the color photograph made available to Boston, and CAMPBELL said this tape definitely is not his marking.

FBI Laboratory is requested to make comparisons of the enclosed sample tapes with those found on the underclothing of unsub in Memphis, Tenn.

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File # Lab.#

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D-560340 JK

PC-A 5564 JV

Re:

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Examination requested by:

Examination requested:

SAC, Atlanta (14-2386)

Letter L/8/68

Date received:

4/9/68

Document, Chem(Miscellaneous)

Examination by:

Mortimer

Result of Examination:

Specimens submitted for examination

Kl Five sample laundry tapes bearing Code #02B-6

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

File # 141-38861

Lab. # D-560380 JK PC-A 5571 JV

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Re: MURKIN

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Examination requested by:

SAC, Boston (157-644)

Airtel 4/8/68

Examination requested: Document, Chem (Miscellaneous)

Date received: 4/9/68

Result of Examination:

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Examination by: Mortimer

Specimens submitted for examination

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