

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

FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

April 9, 1968

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known
Re: as John Willard;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. VICTIN;
CIVIL RIGHTS

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861 D-560301 JK

Examination requested by:

Birmingham

Reference:

Memo 4/8/68

Examination requested:

Firearms (G&A) - Toolmarks - Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

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Tolson \_\_\_ DeLoach \_

Bishop —
Casper —
Callahan —
Conrad —
Felt —
Gale —
Rosen —
Sullivan —
Tayel —

Holmes .

Gandy -

As pointed out in Bureau teletype to Columbia and Memphis dated 4/8/68, a limited number of handwriting similarities were noted between the signatures of BOBBY RAY GRAVES, FBI #410150D, and the questioned signature appearing on Q74 and Q75. However, because of the limited nature of the comparable material any significance of these few similarities could not be assessed. Other information regarding GRAVES was set forth in the above teletype.

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Specimens received

4/6/68

- Q72 .243 Winchester caliber Remington bolt-action rifle, Model 700, Serial Number 283749 from Aeromarine Supply Company
- Q73 Telescope sight mount from .243 Winchester caliber rifle
- Q74 Original invoice dated 3/29/68, Number 2251A, covering sale of rifle to Harvey Lowmeyer
- Q75 Copy of invoice, Number 2251A
- ALSO SUBMITTED: Factory box for .243 Winchester caliber rifle

Nine boxes of caliber .243 Winchester

ammunition

Elimination major case prints of Donald F.

Wood and U. L. Mathew Baker

## Result of examination:

The name and signature on Q74 and Q75 were searched through the National Fraudulent Check File and compared with signatures appearing on fingerprint cards located for the suspects who had been named in this matter, but no identification could be made.

Q74 and Q75 are temporarily retained.

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following documents: Enclosed for the Bureau for examination are the

Let ERIC S. GALT. Record of Access to Safe Deposit Box No. 5517

- Contract for Safe Deposit Box with ERIC S. GALT.
- Box No. 5517 in name of ERIC S. GALT. Ledger Card (rental record) for Safe Deposit
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RE PETEL BUR SIX DASH SEVEN SIXTYEIGHT

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN. RE MEMPHIS AIRTEL APRIL NINE AND BIRMINGHAM AIRTEL APRIL NINE.

TWO LATENT FINGERPRINTS DEVELOPED ON REBEL MOTEL
REGISTRATION CARD DATED APRIL THREE LAST SUBMITTED WITH
MEMPHIS AIRTEL. ONE OF THESE LATENTS IDENTICAL FINGERPRINT
8A JOHN W. BAUER, OTHER LATENT FINGERPRINT NOT IDENTICAL
PINGERPRINTS SA BAUER, SA STEPHEN M. DARLINGTON, OR SAC JENSEN,

ONE LATENT PINGERPRINT DEVELOPED ON BIRMINGHAM ITEM
NUMBER ONE QUOTE RECORD OF ACCESS TREATE DEPOSIT BOX NUMBER
PIVE FIVE ONE SEVEN OF ERIC S. GALT, END QUOTE AND ONE LATENT
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TO DIRECTOR LOUISVILLE AND MEMPHIS

FROM BIRMINGHAM 44-1740 2P

MURKIN. CR. 00: MEMPHIS.

ALBERT HANN, ATTENDANT, ARNOLD'S TRUCK STOP, HIGHWAY

TWENTY, RURAL ROUTE, TUSCUMBIA, ALA., ADVISED ON APRIL NINE,

INSTANT, THAT BETWEEN MARCH TWO SEVEN, AND APRIL FOUR, LAST,

(POSSIBLY MARCH TWONINE, LAST), AN INDIVIDUAL GENERALLY

ANSWERING DESCRIPTION OF ARTIST CONCEPTION, DRIVING WHITE

MUSTANG WITH RED AND WHITE ARKANSAS TAGS, STOPPED AT HIS TATION

BETWEEN ELEVEN A.M. AND ONE P.M. AND PURCHASED GASCEINE, FOR

WHICH HE PAID WITH STANDARD COURTESY CARD. COURTES CARD

TURNED OVER TO DISTRIBUTOR, STANDARD OIL COURTES CARD

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MR. WILLIAM STONE, STANDARD OIL CO., SHEFFIELD, ADVISED APRIL NINE, LAST, COURTESY CARDS PICKED UP FROM ARNOLD'S ABOUT APRIL ONE, LAST, WERE SENT TO STANDARD OIL CO., EIGHT ZERO ONE

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SIXTH AVE. SOUTH, THREE H. IN CARE OF MR. CHARLES JOHNSON.

ON APRIL NONE, INSTANT, MR. CHARLES JOHNSON, STANDARD OIL CO., EIGHT ZERO ONE SIXTH AVENUE SOUTH, BIRMINGHAM, STATED CREDIT CARD TICKETS FROM ALL OVER THE STATE ARE RECEIVED EACH DAY AND ARE BOXED UP AND SENT TO THEIR E.D.P. CENTER, AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, FOR PROCESSING.

LOUISVILLE, AT E. D.P. CENTER, STANDARD OIL CO.,
CHECK STANDARD COURTESY CARD TICKETS SOLD BY ARNOLD'S TRUCK
STOP BEARING ARKANSAS TAGS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD, AND IMMEDIATELY
SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS TO IDENTIFY WITH UNSUB
THIS CASE. NOTE, ARNOLD'S TRUCK STOP HAS CODE NUMBER
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FBI JACKSVLE

10:13 PM EST URGENT 4/8/68 JLC

TO

DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM

JACKSONVILLE (44-769) 2P

0 MURKIN:

RE MEMPHIS TEL THIS DATE.

GLOIS A. BRAND, OWNER, DESTIN, FLA. AIRPORT, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT ON MARCH TWENTYTHREE LAST A PARTY OF SIX MEN ARRIVED IN AN AZTEC PLANE. NO. FIVE NINE FOUR ZERO Y. THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE FROM MEMPHIS. LATER SAME EVENING THEY RETURNED AND TOLD BRAND THAT THEY HAD TO LEAVE THAT EVENING. THEY STATED THEY HAD PLANNED TO DO SOME FISHING THE NEXT DAY, HOWEVER, THEY HAD CALLED THEIR WIVES WHO HAD REQUESTED THAT THEY RETURN SINCE MARTIN LUTHER KING WAS ARRIVING IN MEMPHIS AND TROUBLE WAS EXPECTED. DURING THE CONVERSATION. ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS MADE WHAT BRAND CONSIDERED A CASUAL AND JEST LIKE COMMENT THAT SOMEONE OUGHT TO KILL KING BECAUSE OF ALL THE TROUBLE HE CAUSES INCLUDING THE INTERRUPTION OF THEIR PLANNED FISHING WEEKEND. NO FURTHER COMMENTS WERE MADE CONCERNING THE SUBJECTS. MR. BRAND STATED THAT HE HAS NEVER FELT THAT THERE WAS ANY SERIOUS INTENT ON THE PART OF THE END PAGE ONE

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THIS STORY TO THE WIFE OF CHARLES CLARK MERELY AS A POINT OF
CONVERSATION SINCE THE CLARKS WERE ALSO FROM MEMPHIS. THE
AFOREMENTIONED PLANE WAS LAST REGISTERED TO THE MEMPHIS MACHINERY
AND SUPPLY COMPANY, INC., THREE ZERO ONE SOUTH FRONT ST., MEMPHIS,
ACCORDING TO LATEST AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION BOOK.

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TO DIRECTOR BIRMINGHAM MEMPHIS ATLANTA BALTIMORE BOSTON
CINCINNATI LAS VEGAS LOS ANGELES NEWARK RICHMOND SAN DIEGO
AND SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: ALBANY /1 -273/

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RE ALLY I. TO BUREAU APRIL SEVEN LAST AND
.TELEPHONE GALLS BUREAU, ATLANTA, BOSTON, BALTIMORE,
AND SANFRANCISCO, APRIL EIGHT INSTANT.

SEARCH OF PREMISES BELIEVED OCCUPIED BY UNSUB 19

WHO ASSASSINATED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING ON FOUR FOUR ##- 3 2

SIXTYEIGHT DISCLOSED SUITCASE IN WHICH WAS LOCATED

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THE SHIRT AND UNDERSHORTS BEARING LAUNDRY MARK ON

RED TAPE WITH BLACK LETTERING BELIEVED TO BE THERMO
SEAL TYPE, MANUFACTURED EXTER MARKING MACHINE

CO. INC., SYRACUSE, N.Y. THE TAPE IS ONE QUARTER

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AND SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: ALBANY / 1 -273/

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RE ALSONY TO BUREAU APRIL SEVEN LAST AND TELEPHONE OLLS SEBUREAU, ATLANTA, BOSTON, BALTIMORE,

AND SAMFRANCISCO APPRIL EIGHT INSTANT.

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BEARS LETTERS AND NUMBERS ZERO TWO B DASH SIX.

EXPERTS AT TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE COMPANY ADVISE

TYPE ON THIS MACHINE IS UNUSUAL IN THAT THE FIRST

TWO CHARACTERS ARE FIFTEEN POINT TYPE AND THE LAST

THREE CHARACTERS ARE EIGHTEEN POINT TYPE, WITH THE

MIDDLE CHARACTER, THE LETTER B, PROBABLY BEING

NARROW RATHER THAN REGULAR TYPE. THE USUAL MACHINE

CARRIES FIFTEEN POINT TYPE FOR THE FIRST THREE

CHARACTERS AND EIGHTEEN POINT TYPE FOR THE LAST

TWO CHARACTERS.

TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE EXPERTS ALSO STATED
THIS MACHINE IS DEFECTIVE IN THAT IT IS PRODUCING A
TAPE ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH INCH LONG INSTEAD OF ONE
AND ONE EIGHTH INCH LONG AND IS NOT PROJECTING THE
TAPE FAR ENOUGH RESULTING IN CUTTING OFF A PORTION
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OF THE FIRST LETTER. THE CODE USED IN THE NORTH EASTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE FIRST DETTER O STANDS FOR LOT NUMBER; THE
FIRST NUMBER TWO INDICATES THE DAY OF THE WEEK, TWO
BEING TUESDAY; THE SECOND LETTER INDICATES THE FIRST
LETTER OF THE STORE NAME, THIS IS THE LETTER B; THE
LAST NUMBER IS THE BUNDLE NUMBER, THIS IS SIX. COLOR
CODING OF THE TAG MAY DESIGNATE VARIOUS THINGS SUCH
AS A DIFFERENT MONTH OR THE IDENTITY OF A STORE IN
A CHAIN. EXPERTS ALSO STATE THE USE OF THIS SYSTEM
ON LAUNDRY ITEMS IS UNUSUAL IN THAT THE SYSTEM IS
NORMALLY USED ON GARMENTS BEING DRY CLEANED.

THE BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT ALL TEXTILE
MACHINES USING THIS TYPE TAPE BE LOCATED AND MACHINES
USING THIS CODE BE IDENTIFIED.

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THE CODE USED HAS BEEN TRACED TO THE NORTHEASTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES, HOWEVER A SIMILAR CODING IS USED IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES ALSO AND A SIMILAR CODE IS ALSO USED BY COMPANIES WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE COMPANY'S REPRESENTATIVES, THEREFORE ALL THESE MACHINES MUST BE CHECKED.

FOLLOWING ARE MACHINES HAVING FIVE CHARACTERS
OR SIX CHARACTERS CAPABLE OF PRODUCING THE INSTANT
LAUNDRY TAPE:

#### ATLANTA:

BLUM'S, MACON, GEORGIA, MODEL NUMBER H FIVE L ONE,
SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE NINE SEVEN THREE.
BALTIMORE:

STAR LAUNDRY, NINE ZERO EIGHT NORTH SALISBURY
BOULEVARD, SALISBURY, MARYLAND, MODEL NUMBER H FIVE
L FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE TWO FIVE ZERO ZERO.
END PAGE FOUR

PAGE FIVE BOSTON:

LEVIS NATIONAL CORP., ONE MI. VERNON

AVE, DORCHESTER, MASS., MODEL NUMBER H

FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE TWO TWO NINE ZERO

(A DISTRIBUTOR FOR TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE CO.,

THIS MACHINE SHIPPED APRIL SIXTYTWO); SUPERIOR LAUNDRY

SIX TWENTYFIVE CONCORD AVE, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,

MODEL NUMBER H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL NUMBER R THREE ONE

SEVEN SIX TWO.

CINCINNATI:

SWAN CLEANERS, EIGHT ZERO FOUR MOUNT VERNON AVENUE, COLUMBUS, OHIO, MODEL NUMBER H FIVE K ONE SERIAL NUMBER R THREE ONE FIVE FOUR SEVEN.

TALAS VEGAS:

MONARCH CLEANERS, ONE FOUR THREE ZERO SOUTH MAIN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, MODEL NUMBER H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL END PAGE FIVE

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NUMBER THREE TWO FOUR NINE EIGHT.

LOS ANGELES:

BEACH CITIES LAUNDRY, SIX TWO ZERO MAIN STREET,
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA, MODEL NUMBER R H FIVE
K ONE, SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE THREE NINE FOUR;
CALIFORNIA OVERALL COMPANY, ONE SIX TWO ZERO COMPTON
AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.; MODEL NUMBER H FIVE
K ONE, SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE THREE FIVE TWO;
DELITE LAUNDRY, ONE SIX ZERO SEVEN, BROOKLYN AVENUE,
LOS ANGELES, CALIF., MODEL NUMBER R H FIVE K ONE,
SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE FOUR FOUR NINE, THREE ONE
FOUR FIVE FOUR, THREE ONE THREE NINE TWO, THREE ONE
FOUR FOUR SEVEN; GOLD COAST LAUNDRY, ONE EIGHT THREE
EIGHT EAST FORTY FIRST PLACE, LOS ANGELES: MODEL
NUMBER H FIVE K FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER R THREE TWO THREE
TWO ONE; NICOLAY KETZBECK INC., GAMMATU LAUNDRY,
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SAN DIEGO

EIGHT SIX ONE ONE WEST THIRD STREET, LOS ANGELES,
MODEL NUMBER H FIVE K ONE, CONVERTED FROM H FIVE J
ONE, SERIAL NUMBER THREE ZERO NINE ZERO TWO.
NEWARK:

CUSTOM SHIRT LAUNDRY, TWO ZERO SEVEN HADDON AVENUE, WESTMONT, N.J., MODEL NUMBER H FIVE M FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE TWO SIX FOUR FOUR. RICHMOND:

FARLINGTON OR FANLINGTON LAUNDRY, THREE EIGHT ZERO ZERO SOUTH FOUR MILE RUN DRIVE, ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA, MODEL NUMBER H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE TWO FIVE ZERO FOUR.

KELLY ORIGINAL FRENCH LAUNDRY, ONE ZERO FOUR
TWO UNIVERSITY AVE., SAN DIEGO, CALIF., MODEL
NUMBER R H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS, THREE ONE
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THREE NINE ONE, THREE ONE THREE NINE FIVE, MODEL NUMBER H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL NUMBERS THREE ONE FOUR SIX ONE AND THREE ONE FOUR NINE ONE.

SAN FRANCISCO:

GOLDEN STATE DRIVE IN CLEANERS, TWO ONE SEVEN

FIVE WINCHESTER BLVD., CAMPBELL, CALIF.,

MODEL NUMBER H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE TWO

FIVE ZERO THREE; HIGHLAND DRIVE IN CLEANERS, ONE TWO ZERO

ONE LA SALLE AVENUE, SEASIDE, CALIF., MODEL NUMBER

H FIVE L ONE, SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE SIX THREE TWO

MARSHALL STEEL COMPANY, FIVE FOUR TWO SEVEN TELEGRAPH,

OAKLAND, CALIF., MODEL NUMBER H FIVE K ONE, SERIAL

NUMBER THREE ONE TWO TWO SIX; SANFORD CLEANERS, TWO

EIGHT SEVEN FIVE EL CAMINO, PAO ALTO, CALIF.,

MODEL NUMBER H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE TWO

FIVE ZERO SIX; STERLING CLEANERS AND LAUNDRY, ONE

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ONE FOUR ZERO HOWARD AVE., BURLINGAME, CALIF.,

MODEL NUMBER H FIVE L FOUR, SERIAL NUMBER THREE

ONE SIX FOUR SEVEN; SUPERIOR FRENCH LAUNDRY, ONE TWO

EIGHT FOUR WEST MAIN AVENUE, OAKLAND, CALIF.,

WHICH HAS NUMEROUS MACHINES OF THIS TYPE SOME OF

WHICH HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO REPRESENATIVE. MACHINE

H FIVE K ONE SERIAL NUMBER THREE ONE THREE FIVE EIGHT

RETURNED TO TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE HAS BEEN

CHECKED BY ALBANY.

REGARDING THE ABOVE MACHINES ALL OF THOSE
HAVING FIVE CHARACTERS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AND
THE NUMBERS FURNISHED BY TELEPHONE TO BALTIMORE,
BOSTON AND SAN FRANCISCO. OTHER MACHINES SET FORTH
ABOVE FOR THE DESIGNATION IN THE MODEL NUMBER
INDICATING THAT THEY ARE FIVE CHARACTER MACHINES.
HOWEVER THE RECORDS OF TEXTILE MARKING MACHINE
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COMPANY SHOW SIX DIGITS. ALL OF THESE MACHINES SHOULD BE CHECKED TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY USE THE CODE ON INSTANT TAPE.

THE BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO FURNISH ALL OFFICES SET FORTH ABOVE WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE GARMENTS BEARING THE TAPE IN SUFFICIENT QUANTITY TO COVER THESE LEADS.

ALL OFFICES ARE DIRECTED BY THE BUREAU TO
IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE ABOVE CONCERNS AS DESIGNATED,
DETERMINE IF THEY USE THE CODE SYSTEM AS SHOWN ON
INSTANT TAPE AND IF THEY DO USE THAT SYSTEM, OBTAIN
ALL INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN AN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY
UNSUB. THE BUREAU HAS FURTHER DIRECTED THAT EVEN
IF THEY DO NOT USE THIS SYSTEM, TAPES SHOULD BE
OBTAINED USING THE CHARACTERS IN INSTANT TAPE WHICH
SHOULD BE FORWARDED IMMEDIATELY TO THE FBI LAB FOR
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COMPARISON WITH INSTANT TAPE.

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	"E	nclosed is a check for \$11.10.			
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1227 Laidlaw Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, as follows: RICHARD BRGWN, Subscription Department, New York Thies, 229 West 43rd Street, NYC, advised this date that his department received, on 4/4/68, a letter postmarked at Cincinnati, Ohio, on 4/1/68, from HARCLD F. PAIMER,

"Dear Sirs,

Times in my name at the above address. "Please enter a 3 month subscription for the weekday

"Enclosed is a check for \$11.10.

"Thank you.

"Yery truly yours,

Harold F. Palmer"

following phrase: Printed at the bottom of this letter is the

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It is noted that this letter was written and mailed several days prior to the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Cincinnati is to expeditiously locate and interview HAROLD F. PAIMER regarding the printed phrase on his subscription to the Times.

Enclosed for Cincinnati is the original letter and envelope directed to the Times as set forth above. One Xerox copy of the letter and envelope is enclosed for Memphis.

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RE WASHINGTON FIELD TEL TO THE BUREAU, APRIL NINE, SIXTYEIGHT, CONCERNING ONE ED MEARS, MADONNA, OHIO.

THE ONLY CITY WITHIN CLEVELAND TERRITORY HAVING ANY SIMILARITY TO MADONNA, OHIO IS MEDINA, OHIO.

ON APRIL NINE, SIXTYEIGHT, COP HOMER DAVIS (NA), MEDINA,
OHIO, PD, ADVISED THAT EDWARD MEARS, GRANGER LAKE, MEDINA
COUNTY, OHIO, IS SON OF MILLIONAIRE AMOS MEARS, FORMERLY OF
MEDINA, NOW RESIDING FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. EDWARD MEARS IS
NATIVE OF MEDINA COUNTY AND EXTREMELY WEALTHYS MEARS IS IN
THE REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS AND IS CURRENTLY DEVELOPER
OF GRANGER LAKE APARTMENTS, AN EXCLUSIVE APARTMENT PROJECT.
APPROXIMATELY TEN YEARS AGO, EDWARD MEARS RETURNED TO MEDINA
FROM FLA. AND COMMENCED A DEVELOPMENT CALLED RUSTIC HILLS
LOCATED ON EAST SIDE OF MEDINA. THIS TOO IS EXCLUSIVE
RESIDENTIAL AREA. CHIEF DAVIS STATED MEARS HAS NEVER BEEN
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CONSIDERED ANTI-NEGRO; IN FACT, HE HAS MANY NEGROES IN HIS EMPLOYMENT AT HIS REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT. TO CHIEF DAVIS' KNOWLEDGE, MEARS HAS NEVER HAD ANY TROUBLE WITH ANY OF HIS EMPLOYEES. MEARS IS ALSO OWNER MANAGER OF NEGRO HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING CONTENDER ANOS JOHNSON OF MEDINA. MEARS HAS FINANCED JOHNSON'S CAREER AND TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY WITH JOHNSON WHILE MEETING OTHER BOXERS. MEARS HAS NO KNOWN ARREST RECORD AND IS CONSIDERED EXTREMELY REPUTABLE.

ALSO CONTACTED CONCERNING THIS MATTER WERE SHERIFF NORM STUART AND CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF ART NAFTZGER, BOTH OF MEDINA COUNTY SO, AND THEY TOO DESCRIBED MEARS AS BEING OF VERY GOOD REPUTATION AND OUTSTANDING CITIZEN.

MEARS DESCRIVED AS WM, FORTYFIVE YEARS, FIVE FT. TWO INS.
TO FIVE FT. FOUR INS., ONE STVENTY TO ONE NINETY LBS., STOCKY
BUILD.

EDWARD MEARS DESCRIBED ABOVE IS THE ONLY EDWARD MEARS
LOCATED IN MEDINA, OHIO, AS A RESULT OF CREDIT AND TELEPHONE
AND CITY DIRECTORY CHECKS.

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BASED ON ABOVE COMMENTS BY CHIEF DAVIS, SHERIFF STUART AND CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF NAFTZGER, CLEVELAND IS TAKING NO FURTHER ACTION, UACB.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO MEMPHIS, CINCINNATI, WASHINGTON FIELD.

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RE NEW ORLEANS TEL FOUR EIGHT INSTANT.

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NEW ORLEANS EXPEDITE REMAINDER OF INVESTIGATION. OFFICES ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY TO ATTU CONCERNING MONTANA HIDEOUT.

DE PALMA HEARD ABOUT THIS HIDEOUT BUT HAS NEVER BEEN THERE

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

On April 9, 1968, Lieutenant LOURNE PHELPS, Richmond, California Police Department, advised that he received a call

from his mother, Mrs. THELMA PHELPS, 2001 Mitchell Avenue, Oakland, California. She requested this information be treated in confidence as to source.

Several months ago an individual, white male, GEORGE EDWARD MURRAY, an ex-convict from California Prison System, was living in her home. He has a record at the California State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII) with photograph. He left a few months ago to move to Chicago, other whereabouts unknown. He fits the general description of the assassin of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and made a comment before he left that he was going to Chicago to "shoot a nigger." She has no further information.

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FROM:

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

## THE SACRAMENTO OFFICE

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA: Will contact CII and obtain a copy of the photograph of GEORGE EDWARD MURRAY referred to above, and furnish copies of this photograph to the Bureau, Birmingham, Chicago, Memphis, and San Francisco.

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RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE APRIL NINE LAST AND CHARLOTTE TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU TODAY.

FREDRICK DUNSTON, WHITEVILLE, NC, ARRESTED SEVEN THIRTY
PM, APRIL NINE LAST BY WHITEVILLE PD CHARGED WITH POSSESSION
NONTAX PAID WHISKEY AND PUBLIC DRUNK. ARRESTING OFFICER RALPH
SPAULDING ADVISED DUNSTON ARRESTED BY HIM NUMEROUS OCCASIONS
FOR PUBLIC DRUNK AND DISORDERLY CONDUCT AND DUNSTON HAS
REPUTATION AS BEING A DRUNK. HE DOUBTFUL ANY INFORMATION
FURNISHED BY DUNSTON WOULD BE RELIABLE.

DUNSTON INTERVIEWED BY SA TODAY, COLUMBUS COUNTY JAIL, WHITEVILLE, NC, AND ADVISED ABOUT SEVEN PM APRIL NINE LAST HE AGAIN OBSERVED UNKNOWN WHITE MALE WHO ADMITTED KILLING KING

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RIDING IN WHITEVILLE IN NINETEEN SIXTYTWO FORD GALZXIE, BEIGE COLOR, OCCUPIED BY TWO OTHER PERSONS. DUNSTON ADVISED HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY HENRY BENNETT AT THE TIME. DUNSTON ATTEMPTED TO CALL ATTORNEY GENERAL, WASHINGTON, DC, TO FURNISH THIS INFORMATION AT THE TIME HE WAS ARRESTED BUT DID NOT COMPLETE CALL. DUNSTON VIEWED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF KING'S ASSASSIN AND ADVISED PHOTOGRAPH APPEARS SIMILAR BUT WOULD BE UNABLE TO RECOGNIZE MAN FROM SKETCH.

DENNIS WILLIAMS, JAILER, COLUMBUS COUNTY JAIL, ADVISED DUNSTON, FOLLOWING ARREST, ATTEMPTED TO MAKE TELEPHONE CALL TO ATTORNEY GENERAL AND TELEPHONE CALL TO RALEIGH, NC; HOWEVER, HE WAS IN DRUNKEN CONDITION AND WAS UNABLE TO COMPLETE CALLS.

SARAH MOORE, ROUTE FIVE BOX ONE FIVE ZERO, WHITEVILLE,
ADVISED TODAY THAT DUNSTON RESIDES AT HER HOUSE WITH HIS WIFE
AND TWO CHILDREN. SHE STATED DUNSTON HAS REPUTATION FOR
DRINKING AND HAS BEEN ARRESTED AS PUBLIC DRUNK. SHE WAS AT
HER RESIDENCE APRIL EIGHT LAST WHEN DUNSTON ALLEGEDLY CONTACTED
BY UNKNOWN WHITE MALE. SHE STATED SHE WAS NOTAWARE OF ANYONE
BEING AT RESIDENCE AND DOES NOT BELIEVE ANYONE WAS THERE AS
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SHE WOULD HAVE KNOWN. SHE DESCRIBED DUNSTON AS UNRELIABLE AND DOES NOT BELIEVE ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM HIM TO BE RELIABLE OR OF VALUE.

JOHN W. BENNETT, BROTHER OF HENRY BENNETT, ADVISED TODAY
THAT DUNSTON AND HENRY BENNETT ARE ALCOHOLICS AND HAVE BEEN
DRINKING HEAVILY FOR THE PAST FOUR OR FIVE DAYS. HE ADVISED
ANY INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM DUNSTON OR HIS BROTHER WOULD NOT
BE TRUTHFUL AS BOTH HAVE BEEN DRINKING AND ARE UNRELIABLE.

POLICE OFFICERS, WHITEVILLE, NC, WHO HAD BEEN ALERTED
TO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE UNKNOWN WHITE MALE, ADVISED THEY HAD NOT
SEEN ANYONE RESEMBLING THIS PERSON AND ALSO HAD NOT SEEN THE
NINETEEN SIXTYTWO FORD GALAXIE DESCRIBED BY DUNSTON. POLICE
OFFICERS CHARACTERIZED DUNSTON AS DRUNK WHO IS EXTREMELY
UNRELIABLE.

NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED CONCERNING UNKNOWN WHITE MALE, WHO ALLEGEDLY CONTACTED DUNSTON APRIL EIGHT LAST.

IN VIEW OF STATEMENTS MADE BY SARAH MOORE TO EFFECT
THAT NO WHITE MALE WAS SEEN AT HER RESIDENCE WITH DUNSTON ON
APRIL EIGHT LAST, FACT THAT UNKNOWN MALE NOT OBSERVED BY POLICE,
AND FACT THAT DUNSTON IS DRUNKARD AND TOTALLY UNRELIABLE, UACB,
NO FURTHER EFFORTS BEING MADE TO LOCATE UNKNOWN WHITE MALE;
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AND UACB, RICHMOND AND WFO WILL BE ADVISED TO CANCEL ALERT WITH VIRGINIA STATE POLICE AND METROPOMILITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR UNKNOWN WHITE MALE.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO RICHMOND AND WFO.

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CORRECTION PAGE TWO LINE ONE NEXT TO LAST WORD SHOULD BYX "GALAXIE".

ALSO PAGE TWO LASXX NEXT TO LAST LINE WORD TO SHOULD BE AWARE"

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