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Airtel

To: SAC's, Newark (44-854)
Memphis (44-1387)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Newark airtel 4/15/68, submitting a white envelope postmarked "Montreal, Canada VII, 1967," Q215.

One latent fingerprint of value developed on the envelope. This latent fingerprint compared with latent prints previously reported in this case, but no identification effected.

Results of laboratory examination and disposition of Q215 separate.

Submit elimination fingerprints of individuals known to have handled Q215.

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Date: 4/18/68

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AIR TEL

Via _____ _____ (Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (44-854)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: Newark teletype to the Bureau, 4/11/68
Bureau teletype to Newark, 4/12/68

RE: SUSPECT GEORGE WILLARD

On 4/13/68, GEORGE RODERICK WILLARD, 42 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, N. J., was interviewed under suitable pretext and furnished the following information:

WILLARD is a white male, age 29, born [redacted], at Pittsburgh, 6'3½", 190 lbs., light brown hair, blue eyes and wears glasses. He is a graduate of Allegheny College in 1961, where he majored in Spanish and for the past four years has been a Spanish instructor at Union College, Cranford, N. J. WILLARD drives a 1964 white Mustang, New Jersey license NPE 341.

WILLARD advised that on 3/29/68, he had Spanish classes at the College at 10:10 am, 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm. He spent the remainder of the day in Cranford. On 3/30/68, he went to New York City at about 2:00 pm, and saw ELIZABETH D. CONKLIN, 404 East 66th Street, Apt. 8J. He had dinner with CONKLIN and another friend, WILLIAM R. SPEARS, 25 Clifton Avenue, Newark, N.J.

WILLARD's presence at Union College on 3/29/68, verified through Professor HERMAN BIELEFIELD, Head of Romance Language Department. His presence at College on 4/4/68, has previously been verified and set out in referenced Newark teletype.

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UACB, no further investigation being conducted regarding GEORGE WILLARD.

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1-Memphis (44-1987)
1-Pittsburgh (44-578)
2-Newark
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To: SAC's, Los Angeles (44-1574)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Los Angeles airtels dated 4/16/68, submitting nine money orders, Q216 through Q224; a sheet of paper, Q225; and a Post Office form, Q226.

Twelve latent fingerprints and one latent palm print were developed on the money orders. One latent fingerprint was developed on the sheet of paper, Q225. These latent prints were compared with other latent prints previously reported in this case, but no identification was effected. No latents developed on Q226.

Unless advised to the contrary, the submitted items will be retained temporarily in the Laboratory.

Results of laboratory examination separate.

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Date: 4/16/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

MURKIN

ReBHtel to Bureau, 4/16/68.

Enclosed herewith is original bank draft #04012FPS dated 9/28/67, payable to Superior Bulk Film Company in the amount of $337.24, payable through the First National City Bank of New York, New York, bearing the authorized signature of BOB SELLERS.

WAYNE RUSSELL, Assistant Auditor, Exchange Security Bank, Birmingham, Alabama, advised that his records disclose that the above-described bank draft was purchased 9/28/67 at the bank's Five Points South Branch Office by ERIC S. GALT. RUSSELL advised that when a customer purchases a bank draft, he normally will fill out a purchase form, present it to the teller who will then prepare the bank draft, and then return to the customer the original bank draft and one copy. The bank will then maintain a copy of the bank draft issued which will reflect the name of the purchaser, and the purchase form submitted by the customer is then destroyed at the end of the day. RUSSELL stated that the bank records pertaining to this purchase of the bank draft by GALT would not have been touched by GALT. Therefore, other bank records pertaining to the purchase of this draft are not being obtained.

RUSSELL further advised that the bank draft itself has undoubtedly been touched by numerous persons, and that as far as employees of Exchange Security Bank are concerned, it would be difficult to determine just who may have touched

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)
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AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38661)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) (P)

SUBJECT

Reported to Bureau, 4/16/68.

Enclosed herewith is original bank draft #0401777 dated 3/28/67, payable to Superior Bulk Film Company in the amount of $237.24, payable through the First National City Bank of New York, New York, bearing the authorized signature of ROB BELLAMY.

WAYNE RUSSELL, Assistant Auditor, Exchange Security Bank, Birmingham, Alabama, advised that his records disclose that the above-described bank draft was purchased 3/28/67 at the bank's Five Points South Branch office by BRIO E. GALT. RUSSELL advised that when a customer purchases a bank draft, he normally will fill out a purchase form, present it to the teller who will then prepare the bank draft, and then return to the customer the original bank draft and one copy. The bank will then maintain a copy of the bank draft issued which will reflect the name of the purchaser, the purchase form submitted by the customer is then destroyed at the end of the day. RUSSELL stated that the bank records pertaining to this purchase of the bank draft by GALT would not have been touched by GALT. Therefore, other bank records pertaining to the purchase of this draft are not being obtained.

RUSSELL further advises that the bank draft itself has reputedly been touched by numerous persons, and that as far as employees of Exchange Security Bank are concerned, it would be difficult to determine just who may have touched

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this draft; therefore, in view of the above, elimination prints of Exchange Security Bank employees are not being obtained.

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to conduct a latent fingerprint examination on the bank draft and to compare any latent prints developed with latent prints previously submitted in this case.

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4/18/68

Airtel

To: SAC's, Birmingham (44-1740)
Memphis (44-1987)
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From: Director, FBI (44-38861) — 1339

SUBJECT:

Re Birmingham airtel 4/16/68, submitting a bank draft in the amount of $337.24, payable to Superior Bulk Film Company.

No latent impressions of value developed on the bank draft, which is being temporarily retained in Latent Fingerprint Section.

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Airtel

To: SAC's, Atlanta (44-2386)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

RUDKIN

Re Atlanta letter dated 4/15/68, submitting piece of paper bearing handwritten notation "Calt 1052 N side Dr 876-9770," Q214.

One latent fingerprint of value developed on Q214. This latent fingerprint compared with latent prints previously reported this case, but no identification effected.

Results of laboratory examination and disposition of Q214 separate.

Submit major case prints of James D. Carner, Manager, Rooming House, 113 Fourteenth Street, for elimination purposes.

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Airtel

To: SAC'S, Atlanta (44-2386)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Atlanta letter 4-17-68, submitting four coat hangers, Q229 through Q232, and two cardboard inserts for coat hangers, Q233 and Q234.

No latent prints of value were developed on these items.

Results of laboratory examinations and disposition of these items, as well as disposition of other material submitted, subjects of separate report.

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Date: 4/19/68

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: Cloth Laundry Tags

Re Bureau teletype to All Continental Offices, dated 4/9/68; and Albany airtel to the Director, dated 4/10/68.

All laundries contacted in Albuquerque Division and none were located using the code of the laundry mark in instant case.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) (P)

MURKIN

Re telephone call to ASAC SULLIVAN, Springfield Division, 4-19-68, by SA RAY HOMESLEY, in which the following information was furnished:

A review of KC 88-9449, regarding JAMES EARL RAY, aka, revealed the following leads in the Springfield Division:

1. Locate and interview WALTER TERRY RIFE, 400 College Avenue, Quincy, Illinois, associate of subject.

2. Review Illinois Penitentiary Record #22674, at Menard, Illinois, regarding RIFE and furnish photographs of RIFE to Kansas City and interested offices.

3. Interview FLOYD RIFE, 279 Indian Hills, Quincy, Illinois, brother of WALTER RIFE.

4. Interview KATHERINE DORIS BUSKIRK, 321 South 7th Street, Quincy, Illinois, friend of WALTER RIFE.

5. Interview DARLENE CRAWFORD, 332 E. Locust Street, Harrisburg, Illinois, niece of WALTER RIFE.

6. Interview Mrs. VIOLA MAYFIELD, 2716 Cherry St., Quincy, Illinois, sister of WALTER RIFE.

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7. Interview Mrs. MONAN LEE CRAWFORD, 813 N. Main Street, Harrisburg, Illinois, sister of RIFE.

8. Interview ROSIE S. RIFE, age 68, 400 College Avenue, Quincy, Illinois, mother of RIFE.

9. Subject JAMES EARL RAY used address 1439 Cherry, Quincy, Illinois, on Illinois plates 2-385-409 when registering a 1946 Nash in 1955. (Springfield file 62-0, 6-24-55).

10. Review arrest record #2640, SO, Edwardsville, Ill. dated 8-30-54.

11. Review arrest record, PD #7514, dated 7-23-51, at Alton, Illinois.

12. Review record #19121, dated 7-7-52, at the State Patrol, Pontiac, Illinois. (Record shows in transit from Joliet).

13. Subject allegedly entered U. S. Army, 2-19-46 at East St. Louis, Illinois, U. S. Army SN 16163129.

14. Record indicates subject registered for selective service at Quincy, Illinois, date not indicated. Springfield locate and review selective service record re subject.

15. Review Illinois State records, Drivers' License Section, Auto Registration Section, and Illinois State Bureau #463857, for record of motor vehicle registration or driver's license in the name of subject or RIFE.

16. Interview Mrs. LUCILLE RYAN, 214 Spring Street, Quincy, Illinois (shown as mother in the record, and possibility she is deceased).

17. Interview an aunt, LUCILLE RYAN, 801 N. 12th, Quincy, Illinois.

18. Interview brothers JOHN and JERRY RYAN, 214 Spring Street, Quincy, Illinois.

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19. Pre-sentence report dated 4-26-55, shows subject has paternal grandparents and aunts and uncles residing in Quincy, Illinois, and information should be developed regarding all relatives of the subject.

20. Interview WILLIAM MAHER, 1118 E. 7th Street, Alton, Illinois, a relative or friend of the subject.

21. Review employment records at International Shoe Company, Hartford, Illinois, where subject reported to be employed May 1944 to December 1945.

22. Pre-sentence report 4-26-55, shows subject last employed as painter for uncle in Quincy, Illinois, summer of 1954 (name of uncle not shown). Last known address in April 1955 was shown as the Virginia Hotel, Quincy, Illinois.

23. Subject allegedly born [redacted] or [redacted] at Decatur, Illinois, Quincy, Illinois, or Alton, Illinois. Springfield verify date and place of birth.

Springfield office was requested, in covering these leads, to be alert for any information that subject RAY conspired with anyone else in the alleged violation.

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: CHECK OF BIRTHS ON JULY 20, 1931, FOR ERIC STARVO GALT

Re Bureau teletype to Albuquerque and other offices, 4/12/68.

A check of the Bureau of Vital Statistics for all male births on July 20, 1931, specifically for ERIC STARVO GALT, JOHN WILLARD, and HARVEY LOWMYER, in the State of New Mexico, was made with negative results.

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Laboratory Transmittal Form
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1 - Mr. Mortimer
1 - Lab File
1 - Mr. Rosen
(Mr. Long 2260)
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Griffith

FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968

Re: MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560923 JK
D-560945 JK

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Airtel, 4/16/68
Letter, 4/16/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the results of the fingerprint examination and disposition of Q216 through Q226.

This report confirms and supplements Bureau teletype to Los Angeles, Memphis and Birmingham dated 4/17/68.

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2 - Birmingham (44-1740) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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

2 - Los Angeles (44-1574) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 19, 1968
FBI File No. 44-38861
Lab. No. D-560923 JK
D-560945 JK

Re: MURKIN
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Specimens received 4/17/68, from FBI, Los Angeles

Q216 Bank of America money order #0799 18037, payable to "Locksmithing Institute," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

Q217 Bank of America money order #0799 18288, payable to "Free Press, Newspapers," signed as purchaser "Eric Galt"

Q218 Bank of America money order #0799 18289, payable to "M. Hedgpeth," signed as purchaser "Eric Galt"

Q219 Bank of America money order #0799 17281, payable to "Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, N.J.," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

Q220 Bank of America money order #0799 19430, payable to "Futura Books," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

Q221 Bank of America money order #0799 19701, payable to "Locksmithing Institute," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

Q222 Bank of America money order #0799 19702, payable to "Tiffany Enterprises," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

Q223 Bank of America money order #0799 19704, payable to "Locksmith Ledger," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

Q224 Bank of America money order #0799 19703, payable to "Tiffany Enterprises," signed as purchaser "Eric S. Galt"

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Q225 Sheet of paper bearing typewritten message beginning "Dear Sir, Inclosed is..." signed "Eric S. Galt"

Q225 Post Office Department Application For Delivery of Mail Through Agent, Form 1583, signed "Eric S. Galt"

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the "Eric S. Galt" and the "Eric Galt" signatures on Q216 through Q221, Q223 and Q224 were prepared by the writer of the signatures in this name appearing on specimens previously received. The signatures on Q222 are too distorted for identification with these previous signatures but similarities were noted.

Because of the lack of comparable writings and variations, it could not be determined whether the other writings appearing on Q216 through Q224 were prepared by the writer of the available writings which are attributable to Galt, however, similarities were noted between the payee names on money orders and the "Galt" writings.

Because of the lack of comparable letters and letter combinations necessary for an adequate comparison, it could not be determined whether the "Harvey Lowmyer" signature on the Q72 gun invoice was prepared by the writer of the money orders, Q216 through Q224, and other writings attributed to Galt.

It was concluded that the questioned signatures on Q225 and Q226 were prepared by the writer of the "Galt" signatures on other specimens previously submitted.

The typewritten impressions appearing on Q225 are the same style as those appearing on other items believed emanating from Galt, but the lack of identifying defects precludes a determination that the same typewriter was used to prepared all of these items.

The submitted specimens are temporarily retained. Photographs were made.

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FBI

Date: 4/11/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
Attention: Identification Division

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New Haven teletype, 4/8/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a copy of fingerprints obtained from ALFRED CURT SPOERL, 129 Oldfield Rd., Trumbull, Conn.

Referenced teletype advised results of interview with SPOERL. The following is a description of SPOERL:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
DOB:	
POB:	Shelton, Conn.
Height:	6'2"
Weight:	190 lbs.
Hair:	Blond
Eyes:	Brown
Address:	129 Oldfield Rd., Trumbull, Conn.
Employment:	National Distributions Manager, U.S. Electrical Motors, Division of Emerson Electric Co., Old Gate Lane, Milford, Conn.

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WILBUR F. HOEHING, Manager, National Materials Management, U.S. Electrical Motors, Division of Emerson Electrical Co., Old Gate Lane, Milford, Conn., advised on 4/8/68, that he

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1 - MEMPHIS (INFO)
1 - Chicago (INFO)
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and SPOERL on 4/4/68, were in Philadelphia, Mississippi for a meeting with the Management Officers of the Philadelphia, Mississippi plant of U.S. Electrical Motors.

He further advised he and SPOERL departed Philadelphia 4/4/68, at approximately 4 p.m. and drove to Memphis, Tenn. by car, arriving approximately 7:10 p.m. He stated that the car in which they were riding was a 1967 Dodge, white in color, and rented by SPOERL at the Avis Rent-A-Car in Memphis, Tenn., on 4/1/68.

On the latter date SPOERL was in the process of establishing a site for a warehouse in Memphis. After that date, he and SPOERL met in Jackson, Mississippi, on 4/3/68, for the meeting in Philadelphia described above.

When he and SPOERL arrived in Memphis on 4/4/68, they learned of the situation re captioned matter. From Memphis, HOEHING was to take a plane to St. Louis after he and SPOERL had dinner. SPOERL was to stay over night at the Holiday Inn, South, Memphis, for a meeting 4/5/68 re the establishment of a warehouse.

After learning of the situation, SPOERL decided that the meeting on 4/5/68 could not be arranged and attempted to obtain an airplane ticket to New York or Hartford, Conn. Unable to do this, he decided to join HOEHING on the plane for St. Louis, who's ultimate destination was Chicago, Illinois.

He further advised that he did not think SPOERL could be involved in captioned matter and hadn't made out-of-the-way comments re same. He stated that he and SPOERL were together all of the time spent in Memphis except for approximately 10 or 15 minutes when SPOERL was still trying to keep the appointment on 4/5/68. This separation was about 9:30 p.m. He was re-joined by SPOERL and the plane left at approximately 10 p.m., 4/4/68, for Chicago. No further investigation being conducted re SPOERL by New Haven as it does not appear he is identical with suspects in captioned matter.

FD-302s made re interviews with SPOERL and HOEHING.

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The Bureau is requested to compare these prints with those obtained in captioned matter and retain in identification files.

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Airtel

To: SAC's, Buffalo (44-374) - Enc. (7)
Memphis (44-1987) - Enc. (6)
Birmingham (44-1740) - Enc. (6)

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From: Director, FBI (44-38861) 1347

MURKIN EX-116

Re Buffalo airtel 4/9/68, submitting fingerprint card with photograph of Dr. Alvin Eugene French.

Latent fingerprints and palm prints this case not identical fingerprints and palm prints of French.

Fingerprint card and two copies of photograph thereon enclosed, along with two copies of two other photographs of French for Buffalo. Two copies of the three photographs are being furnished Memphis and Birmingham as requested.

1 - Mr. Rosen

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FBI

Date: 4/9/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (44-374) (P)

MURKIN
(OO: Memphis)

Remytel, 4/8/68, relative to suspect Dr. ALVIN EUGENE FRENCH.

Transmitted herewith are fingerprints of suspect, FRENCH, furnished by Gowanda State Hospital, Helmuth, New York. Identification Division requested to compare FRENCH's prints with any latents developed in captioned case.

Cards should be returned to Buffalo after examination to return to Gowanda State Hospital.

Bureau is requested to reproduce photograph of FRENCH on back of fingerprint card and furnish copies to Birmingham and Memphis and Buffalo.

FRENCH diagnosed as dementia praecox type paranoid, and appropriate caution should be taken when making contacts with him.

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2 - Birmingham (AM-RM)
2 - Memphis (AM-RM)
1 - Buffalo
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 13, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Martindale
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Sullivan

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TO HQ. REQUEST DATED 5-9-68
(SEE BUFILE 62-117290)

Set forth below are current developments concerning the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Laboratory has determined that various fibers found on a bedspread recovered with the rifle believed to be the murder weapon and fibers found on a sheet recovered from Galt's automobile indicate that the two items have been in physical contact. This indicates that Galt's automobile is involved in the murder.

The most intensive investigation is being pushed by all offices to locate Galt and to develop his background. Highlights of current developments are set out below.

Birmingham determined from an exhaustive search of post office records that an insured package from Chicago had been delivered to Galt's rooming house 10/4/67. This has been traced to Superior Bulk Film Company, Chicago. Company records show that in September, 1967, Galt ordered a Kodak Dual Projector, a Kodak Super 8 Camera and accessories at a total cost of $337.27. Airmail shipment was made to Galt's Birmingham rooming house 10/3/67. By letter of 10/5/67, Galt returned the camera, said he was going to Mexico on Saturday and would advise later as to where his refund should be sent. By letter dated 10/22/67, he requested the refund be sent to Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico, Hotel Rio, Apartado No. 23. A refund check in the amount of $142.89 was mailed to the Mexican address 11/10/67. By letter of 11/20/67, with a return address of APR

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1535 North Serrano, Los Angeles, Galt requested his refund be sent to that address and was advised the check had previously been mailed to the Mexican address. Company and bank records are being checked for method of payment to the company by Galt and for the refund check.

Galt's automobile has a Mexican tourist sticker showing he entered Mexico at Nuevo Laredo 10/7/67. Investigation is being conducted in Mexico to determine his activities.

Galt has previously been placed at 1535 North Serrano in November and December, 1967, and the early part of January, 1968.

Galt has now been placed at the St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, where he rented a room for $88 a month from 1/21/68 to 3/17/68 when he checked out requesting his mail be forwarded to General Delivery, Atlanta, until 4/25/68. He gave no instructions as to where his mail should be sent after that date. On 2/1/68, Galt gave the St. Francis Hotel, in partial payment of rent, local telephone company check for $28.65 payable to Eric Galt. This is being traced.

The Atlanta Post Office is holding two letters for Galt forwarded from Los Angeles. One is a gas bill originally sent to 1535 North Serrano; the other is a flat book from Locksmith Lodger, Little Falls, New Jersey, also originally sent to the Serrano address.

Records of the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey, show that Eric S. Galt, 2589 Rue Notre Dame Est. Montreal, Canada, enrolled in a correspondence locksmithing course, 7/31/67. In an undated statement, probably submitted in January, 1968, Galt showed the Serrano address in Los Angeles, stated he had received ordnance training in military service, was 36 years of age, single, and had a high school education. Under "name of employer" was entered "Am taking course at American Business Consultants, 16010 Crenshaw, Long Beach, California." References were shown on the form as Mrs. Rita Steen, Housewife, 5666 Franklin, Los Angeles, and Mrs. Marie Deninno, Waitress, 5533 Hollywood, Los Angeles. The form contains a printed certification that the student has never been

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convicted of burglary, breaking and entering, robbery or larceny and that information received from Locksmithing Institute will not be used to aid or abet the commission of a crime.

On 3/30/68, the locksmith school changed Galt's address to 113 14th. Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. The cost of the course was $229.50. $17.50 was paid 7/31/67, $7.50 was paid 9/7/67, $15.00 was paid 1/10/68 and 3/11/68 and additional payments of $7.50 were made 2/2/68, 3/6/68 and 4/8/68. The balance due is $152.00.

The Atlanta address given to the locksmithing school by Galt is a "hippie" rooming house having thirty or forty rooms. It is next door to a "hippie" night club known as the Catacomb and the area has a large number of "hippies." A discreet surveillance is being maintained on the rooming house and background information is being developed on the owner.

Laundry tags on clothing believed to have been abandoned by Galt in Memphis apparently came from a Los Angeles laundry. Jay Vernon, former manager of the laundry has now been interviewed. He operated this laundry from 1/16/68 until 3/24/68. Vernon states Galt was a regular customer coming to the laundry each Saturday afternoon. He first appeared at the laundry 1/20/68 and Vernon last remembers seeing him at the laundry 3/16/68. According to Vernon, the shorts found in Memphis are similar to ones ordinarily worn by Galt and the size of the T-shirt matches Galt's build. He could not definitely state that these garments belong to Galt, but did identify the markings as being similar to the ones used in his laundry. Vernon only knew Galt as a customer of the laundry and has no knowledge of his background or activities. Galt paid for his laundry in cash using ten and twenty dollar bills.

Extensive investigation concerning Vernon, Ginger Day, Anita Katzwinkel and other persons considered as possible associates of Galt in Los Angeles has failed to develop that they are acquainted

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with him or are involved in this investigation. Extensive investigation is continuing with regard to all possible associates, acquaintances or others who might have knowledge concerning Galt's background or the facts of this case.

With regard to the resemblance between Galt and the artist's conception of the subject, Vernon stated that the eyes, nose and chin of the Memphis artist's conception based on the interview of Memphis witnesses should be placed on the artist's conception based on the interview of Birmingham witnesses and that if this were done it would be a better likeness of Galt.

Marlin Myers, owner of Continental Dance Studios, Birmingham, has advised that Eric S. Galt took dance lessons beginning 9/12/67 when he paid $10.00 and reported for consecutive weekly lessons from 9/12/67 to 10/3/67. He did not appear for a lesson on 10/10/67 and between 10/10/67 and 10/14/67 Myers received a letter from Galt saying he had to leave town and could not continue the lessons. Myers destroyed the letter and does not recall where it was mailed.

Myers also said that he recalled that Galt had taken dance lessons in 1964 and 1965 when Myers operated the Continental Dance Studios in New Orleans. Records of the New Orleans operation are in possession of Louella Lutz, a former partner now in Los Angeles. Joan Myers, wife of Marlin Myers, recalls Galt and believes he took dancing lessons in New Orleans on a full-year budget plan contract possibly starting in April, 1964. She described Galt as a loner who likes to dance.

Louella Lutz has been located in Los Angeles. She has burned most of the records of the New Orleans studio and no record of Galt could be located in the records that remained. She did not recall Galt.

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Re: MURKIN

ACTION:

Intensive investigation is continuing.

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1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Long, Room 2260
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Lab Files 4-15-68

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TELETYPE URGENT

1 - Mr. Clark, Room 7132
1 - Mr. Griffith (Attn: Mr. Mortimer)
1 - Office, Room 7133

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

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA LETTER APRIL FIFTEEN CONCERNING ITEMS FROM ROOMS IN ATLANTA.

NUMEROUS HAIRS FOUND ON TWO BED SHEETS FROM ROOM. HAIRS INCLUDE BROWN TO BLACK HEAD, PUBIC AND LIMB HAIRS OF CAUCASIAN ORIGIN AND A DARK BROWN HEAD HAIR OF NEGROID ORIGIN. THE RANGE OF CHARACTERISTICS EXHIBITED BY THE CAUCASIAN HAIRS SUGGESTS THEY ARE FROM MORE THAN ONE PERSON. SOME OF THE HAIRS ARE DETERIORATED AND DIRTY SIMILAR TO HAIRS FROM FLOOR DEBRIS. A FEW OF THE HAIRS ARE SIMILAR IN SOME MICROSCOPIC CHARACTERISTICS TO HAIRS FROM THE MUSTANG AND MEMPHIS SCENE BUT DO NOT MATCH IN ALL MICROSCOPIC CHARACTERISTICS. THE POSSIBILITY THESE HAIRS ORIGINATED FROM SAME SOURCE AS

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

MURKIN

HAIRS FROM THE MUSTANG AND MEMPHIS SCENE COULD NOT BE ELIMINATED.

NO FIBERS FOUND ON BED SHEETS FROM ROOM THAT COULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH BEDSPREAD OR OTHER CLOTH ITEMS FROM MEMPHIS SCENE AND MUSTANG.

SIMILARITIES NOTED HANDWRITING ON LINED PAPER (WORD "FLORIDA" AND VARIOUS SPELLINGS OF THIS WORD) WHEN COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS WRITING OF GALT BUT NO DEFINITE OPINION REACHED. DIFFERENCES NOTED HAND PRINTED NAME "JIMMY OWEN" ON PINK SLIP OF PAPER AND HAND PRINTING OF GALT BUT NO DEFINITE OPINION REACHED. THE LETTERS "P" OVER "E," FOLLOWED BY A SPACE, THEN THE LETTERS "TTED," AND THE WORD "PUNCH" OR "BUNCH" WERE FAINTLY INSCRIBED ON THE SINGLE PAGE OF NEWSPAPER SUBMITTED.

NO ROAD MAPS OF ATLANTA AREA PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED. THIS MAP AND OTHER ARTICLES RECEIVED WERE EXAMINED FOR INDENTED IMPRESSIONS AND OTHER MARKINGS BUT NOTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE NOTED.

FINGERPRINT REPORT SEPARATE.

REPORT FOLLOWS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Transmitted under separate cover for the FBI Laboratory is the following evidence. This was recovered from a search of room 6, 107 14th Street NE, Atlanta, Ga., and room 5, 113 14th Street NE, Atlanta, Ga. This evidence was obtained by SA'S John B. Reynolds and Alden F. Miller.

1. Bed linen
2. three (3) cigarette butts
3. City street map of Atlanta, book of paper matches and lined piece of paper
4. Newspaper utilized for shelf cover in wardrobe
5. Pink slip of paper with name "Jimmy Owen" written thereon
6. Keyhole saw on top of wardrobe
7. Cigarette butt
8. Section of newspaper dated 4/7/68
9. Latent lifts numbered one through twelve
10. Latent lifts numbered A1 through A3

The Laboratory is requested to make appropriate examination of this evidence.

3 - Bureau
1 - Package
1 - Memphis (Info)
2 - Atlanta
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FBI

Date: 4/16/68

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, SAC MEMPHIS AND
SAC, BIRMINGHAM

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: ME

Re Sacramento teletype to Bureau, 4/10/68.

Suspect CHRISTOPHER A. DI GUILIO.

Enclosed for Memphis and Birmingham are 1 copy each of photo of CHRISTOPHER ANDREW DI GUILIO.

~~3~~ - Bureau
2 - Memphis (Enc. 1)
2 - Birmingham (Enc. 1)
2 - Cincinnati (1 - 157-1893)
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3 - Inter-Agency (Enc. 1) (SS-PTI - 1)

Enclosed for Memphis and Birmingham are 1 copy each of photo of CHRISTOPHER MARTIN DI GIULIO.

Subject CHRISTOPHER A. DI GIULIO.

No supplemental teletype to Baltom, 4/10/68.

CC: MR
KD
RM

SUBJECT: MURKIN

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (SS-PTI-1883)

TO: DIRECTOR, SAC MEMPHIS AND
SAC, BIRMINGHAM

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TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Bishop
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
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Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

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FBI ATLANTA

556 PM URGENT 4/16/68 MRB

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386 P

MURKIN

RE MEMPHIS TELS APRIL FOURTEEN LAST, CONTAINING DATA FURNISHED BY MEMPHIS PD INFORMANT.

SOURCE ADVISED THIS DATE LARGE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING NUMEROUS OLD TIME BURGLARS KNOWN THROUGHOUT SOUTHEASTERN SECTION US, HAVE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED AUTO THEFT RING PRESENTLY CENTERING SOME PLACE IN ALA. SOURCE ADVISED LEO CRUMLEY, KNOWN TO BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS DIVISIONS, IS PRINCIPAL SUBJECT IN THIS CASE AND IS LIVING IN ANNISTON, ALA., WHERE HE COULD BE CONTACTED AT TELEPHONE NUMBER TWO THREE SIX - EIGHT FOUR NINE ZERO. CRUMLEY HAS CAR LOT AND SOURCE HAS HEARD LATE MODEL AUTOS OBTAINED FROM LARGE NUMBER OF SOURCES ARE HANDLED BY CRUMLEY, WHO HAS BEEN OBTAINING AS MUCH AS TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR A LATE MODEL AUTO. 44-38861-1351

SOURCE STATES JOHN OSCAR LUCK, KNOWN TO ATLANTA DIVISION AND TERRY MCCRORY, WHITE FEMALE, ARE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH CRUMLEY AND MCCRORY CAN BE LOCATED TELEPHONE NUMBER EIGHT THREE ONE-FOUR THREE EIGHT THREE, ANNISTON ALA.

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SOURCE STATES CRUMLEY, PLACED LONG DISTANCE CALL TO AN UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL IN TALLEDEGA, ALA. AND CRUMLEY TOLD SOURCE THIS INDIVIDUAL HAD HIGHLY-PLACED SOURCES IN STATE OF ALA. AND HE WAS RECEIVING ASSISTANCE THROUGH THIS PERSON. SOURCE SAID FOLLOWING THIS CALL AND AT SPECIFIC REQUEST OF CRUMLEY, WARRANT AGAINST AN ASSOCIATE OF SOURCE'S IN ALA. WAS DROPPED.

SOURCE BELIEVES DATA BEING FURNISHED BY MEMPHIS PD SOURCE RE THIS CAR RING CASE IS ENTIRELY ACCURATE, BUT SOURCE HAS NO INFORMATION INDICATING THAT AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED SIMILARLY TO GALT HAS ANY DIRECT CONNECTION WITH THIS GROUP.

SOURCE BELIEVES PHOTO OF GALT CAN BE EXHIBITED TO PERSONS FAMILIAR WITH THIS MATTER WHEN THIS CAN BE EFFECTED AND THIS MATTER CAN BE CLARIFIED WHEN PRACTICAL.

BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS REQUESTED TO EXERCISE PARTICULAR CAUTION TO PROTECT THIS SOURCE.

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FBI WASH DC

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