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TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 (ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION)
FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673

MURKIN

RE BUREAU TEL APRIL 16, LAST.

DRIVERS LICENSE SURVEY,

DOB [REDACTED]

SET FORTH BELOW ARE THE NAMES, ADDRESSES AND AVAILABLE
DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF FORTY ONE INDIVIDUALS ALL OF WHOM POSSESS
THE BIRTH DATE OF [REDACTED] THE NAMES
OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE OBTAINED FROM THE MAGNETIC TAPES
WHICH ARE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH COMPUTERS MAINTAINED BY
THE LOUISIANA DRIVERS LICENSE DIVISION AT BATON ROUGE, LA.

THE IDENT DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO CONDUCT THE
FOLLOWING EXAMINATIONS:

ONE - CONDUCT SEARCH FOR ANY EXISTING FINGERPRINT CARDS
FOR THE LISTED INDIVIDUALS.

TWO - CONDUCT EXAMINATION OF FINGERPRINTS ON ANY CARDS
LOCATED IN CONNECTION WITH THESE NAMES AND COMPARE WITH ALL
EXISTING LATENT FINGERPRINTS DEVELOPED IN INSTANT CASE TO
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THREE - COMPARE THE SIGNATURES APPEARING ON ANY FINGER-
PRINT CARDS LOCATED IN CONNECTION WITH THESE NAMES AGAINST
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ANY KNOWN HANDWRITING SPECIMENS DEVELOPED TO DATE IN INSTANT CASE.

MARVIN N. BLOUNT, TWO FOUR FIVE MALVERN LANE, HARAHAN, LA., WHITE MALE, BLACK HAIR, HAZEL EYES, ONE THREE FOUR LBS., FIVE FT. FIVE INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO ONE THREE FOUR THREE SEVEN TWO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY, SIXTY-NINE.

JEROME J. PELTIER, EIGHT TWO ONE PORT ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BLOND HAIR, GREEN EYES, ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS. SIX FT. ONE IN., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO FIVE FIVE TWO EIGHT ZERO ONE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT.

FRED A. LENDLE, P. O. BOX THREE SIX NINE, LULING, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE EIGHTY LBS., FIVE FT. SEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO FIVE SIX ZERO ONE ZERO SEVEN WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT.

JAMES P. RAYMOND, JR., SIX ONE TWO SIX WILLOW ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BLACK HAIR AND BROWN EYES, ONE SIX FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. ELEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO FIVE SIX FIVE TWO ONE TWO WITH EXPIRATION DATE
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OF JULY TWENTY, SIXTYEIGHT.

DOUGLAS E. VICKNAIR, ROUTE ONE, BOX THREE EIGHT SEVEN,
GONZALES, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SIX FIVE
LBS., SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO SIX FIVE EIGHT
EIGHT SIX SEVEN, WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

RICHARD C. STINSON, TWO EIGHT TWO EIGHT ALKAY ST.,
SHREVEPORT, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SIX
TWO LBS., SIX FT. ONE IN., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO SIX
EIGHT FIVE NINE THREE SEVEN WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY
TWENTY SIXTYFIVE.

CHESTER J. LEDET, SR., ROUTE L, BOX TWO SEVEN SIX A,
RACELAND, LA., WHITE MALE BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SIX
TWO LBS., FIVE FT. SEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO
SEVEN FIVE SIX ONE THREE FIVE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY
TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

EARL J. GUIDRY, APT. A, ONE ZERO EIGHT JOSEPHINE,
THIBODAUX, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, ONE
FOUR FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. FOUR INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO.
ZERO SEVEN FIVE SEVEN THREE NINE SIX WITH EXPIRATION DATE
OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

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ELI GARSEE, JR., RT. FIVE, WINNSBORO, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SEVEN FIVE LBS., SIX FT. ONE IN., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO EIGHT TWO ZERO NINE ONE THREE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

CARL J. DERMADY, FOUR TWO FOUR CELOTEX PARK, WESTWEGO, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES ONE FIFTY LBS., FIVE FT. ELEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO EIGHT SIX FOUR FOUR THREE THREE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

HERSHAL W. THOMPSON, IN CAR OF J. THOMPSON, P.O. BOX ONE SIX THREE, JUNCTION C, WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE EIGHTY LBS., SIX FT. THREE INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO EIGHT EIGHT TWO ONE TWO SEVEN WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

JAMES B. LEJEUNE, FT. ONE, BOX TWENTYSIX, PORT BARRE, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, ONE NINE FIVE LBS., SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO EIGHT NINE FOUR ZERO FOUR THREE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

HUNTER L. SPORL, ONE THOUSAND THIRD ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE EIGHTY LBS.,
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SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO NINE FOUR SIX THREE TWO
SIX WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

FRANK A. TUCKER, ONE ZERO TWO NINE TERRY ST., NEW ORLEANS,
LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SEVEN FIVE LBS.,
FIVE FT. NINE INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ZERO NINE EIGHT SEVEN
SEVEN SEVEN ZERO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTY-
NINE.

MERLIN R. VERCHER, RT. TWENTYONE, WALKER LANE,
ALEXANDRIA, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, TWO TWO
ZERO LBS., FIVE FT. ELEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE
ZERO TWO SIX ZERO ZERO TWO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY
TWENTY SIXTYFOUR.

RODOLFO BARRERA, MIRABEAU AVE., NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE
MALE, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, ONE FORTY LBS., FIVE FT. SIX
INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE ZERO NINE NINE FOUR FIVE ZERO
WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT.

ROBERT E. MAJORS, GEN. DEL., MELVILLE, LA., WHITE MALE,
BROWN HAIR, HAZEL EYES, ONE NINE THREE LBS., SIX FT.,
DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE ONE EIGHT FOUR TWO THREE FIVE WITH
EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYSEVEN.

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RUSSELL J. GAUBERT, LAUREL VALLEY PLT., THIBODAUX,
LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, HAZEL EYES, ONE FOUR SIX LBS.,
FIVE FT. NINE INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE TWO SIX FIVE
FOUR NINE THREE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT.

BOBBY R. LAING, ONE ZERO TWO EIGHT ARANT ST., BASTROP,
LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, ONE FIVE FIVE LBS,
FIVE FT. TEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE THREE NINE THREE
SEVEN ZERO ZERO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY
SIXTYSEVEN.

WILLIAM D. SMITH, ONE EIGHT ONE SEVEN RIDGELAKE, DR.,
METAIRIE, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, GREEN EYES, ONE EIGHT
FIVE LBS., SIX FT. ONE IN., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE FOUR
NINE NINE EIGHT ONE EIGHT WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY
TWENTY SIXTYFIVE.

WAYNE B. DAUGHTRY, ONE EIGHT ONE TWO VALENCE ST., NEW
ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SEVENTY
LBS. FIVE FT. EIGHT INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE FIVE ONE"
SEVEN ONE SEVEN FIVE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY
SIXTYNINE.

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CALVIN A. LEJEUNE, RT. TWO, BOX ONE FIVE FIVE, PLAQUEMINE, LA., WHITE MALE, BLOND HAIR, BROWN EYES, ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. EIGHT INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE FIVE EIGHT TWO THREE FOUR SIX WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT.

DONALD E. REYNOLDS, SIX FOUR FOUR ZERO S. CLAIBORNE NO. THREE ZERO THREE, NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BLOND HAIR, GRAY EYES, ONE SEVEN FIVE LBS., SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE FIVE EIGHT SIX ONE SEVEN FIVE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYSIX.

PABLO L. OKHUYSEN, FOUR FOUR FOUR BURGIN AVE. , BATON ROUGE, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE FIFTY LBS., FIVE FT. EIGHT INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE SIX EIGHT NINE EIGHT FIVE EIGHT WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYFOUR.

GAETANO T. FELTRI, SEVEN ZERO SEVEN GRAMMONT ST., MONROE, LA., WHITE MALE, BLACK HAIR, HAZEL EYES, ONE SIX FIVE LBS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO EIGHT SEVEN SEVEN WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYFIVE.

CHARLES R. ARMBRESTER, ONE SIX ONE NINE WOODROW ST., SHREVEPORT, LA., WHITE MALE, BLOND HAIR, GREEN EYES, ONE SIX FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. EIGHT INS., DRIVERSⁿ LICENSE NO.

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ONE SEVEN EIGHT NINE ZERO FOUR SIX WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYFIVE.

EARL B. CLARK, ONE ONE SIX THOMAS DR., LAFAYETTE, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, GRAY EYES, ONE FIVE FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. SEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE EIGHT NINE TWO ZERO NINE TWO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT.

BENJAMIN E. BERTINOT, P.O. BOX FORTYFIVE, BOUTTE, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. ELEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE NINE ONE ZERO ZERO FIVE FOUR WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT.

JEROME J. ELORRIAGA, ONE TWO TWO ZERO DUBLIN ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE NINETY LBS. SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE NINE SIX ONE FIVE ONE TWO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYSIX.

RONALD L. WHITEHEAD, FOUR EIGHT THREE SIX VICTORIA PL., ALEXANDRIA, LA., WHITE MALE, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, ONE SEVEN FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. EIGHT INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE NINE EIGHT THREE ZERO EIGHT EIGHT WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYSEVEN.

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✓HOWARD O. ULMER, JR., RT. TWO, BOX TWO THREE THREE,
RUSTON, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SIX FIVE
LBS. , FIVE FT. TEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. ONE NINE EIGHT
NINE SEVEN FOUR SEVEN WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

RUSSELL E. PEAVEY, P.O. BOX NINETYFOUR, LAKE ARTHUR,
LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, HAZEL EYES, ONE EIGHT FIVE
LBS. SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. TWO ONE ZERO THREE TWO
FIVE ZERO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF NOV. TWO, SIXTYTHREE.

SENNETT M. KELLY, THREE ZERO ONE SIX GENERAL PATTON,
LAKE CHARLES, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE
EIGHTY LBS. , FIVE FT. ELEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO.
TWO ONE ONE ZERO FOUR SEVEN WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF
SEPT TEN, SIXTYEIGHT.

JAMES M. HOLLEMAN, SEVEN ZERO THREE MADISON AVE.,
MINDEN, LA., WHITE MALE, BLOND HAIR, GRAY EYES, ONE NINE
FIVE LBS., SIX FT., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. TWO ONE FIVE SIX
FOUR SEVEN EIGHT WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF OCT. THIRTEEN,
SIXTYEIGHT.

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LONNEY P. DOMANGUE, BOX TWO TWO TWO IDLEWILD, HOUMA, LA., WHITE MALE, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, ONE EIGHT LBS., FIVE FT. NINE INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. TWO ONE SEVEN FOUR THREE EIGHT THREE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTYFOUR SIXTYSIX.

JOSEPH OSTARLY, ONE TWO TWO EIGHT TAYLOR ST., KENNER, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, GREEN EYES, ONE NINE FIVE LBS., SIX FT. TWO INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. TWO ONE NINE FOUR NINE ZERO EIGHT WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF AUG. TWENTY SIXTYONE.

BRYON H. NIENSTEDT, P.O. BOX NINETYONE, SIMPSON, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, ONE SIX FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. EIGHT INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. TWO TWO FOUR EIGHT NINE SIX TWO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF SEPT. TWELVE SIXTYSIX.

LOWELL E. HADEN, ONE SIX SEVEN FOUR N. DUPRE ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE FIFTY LBS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. TWO THREE ONE SEVEN EIGHT ONE THREE WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF SEPT. TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYSIX.

HERSHEL GRISSOM, JR. , RT. TWO, BOX ONE NINE THREE A, ST. JOSEPH, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR, GRAY EYES, ONE EIGHTY LBS. , SIX FT. DRIVERS LICENSE NO. THREE ONE ZERO
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WARREN A. TRANCHINA, ONE ONE ONE TWO NINE JEFFERSON HWY.,
NEW ORLEANS, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, DRIVERS
LICENSE NO. THREE ONE FOUR ZERO SEVEN NINE FOUR WITH
EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

BENJAMIN E. BERTINOT, SIX TWO FIVE N. NINTH ST.,
BATON ROUGE, LA., WHITE MALE, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, ONE SIX
FIVE LBS., FIVE FT. ELEVEN INS., DRIVERS LICENSE NO. THREE
THREE FIVE ONE TWO ZERO ZERO WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY
TWENTY SEVENTY.

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cc - Conrad Rosen

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND JACKSON
FROM ATLANTA (44-2386) (P) 1P

MURKIN. RE DONALD JAMES NISSEN.

RE JACKSON TEL TO ATLANTA DATED APRIL SEVENTEEN INSTANT.

RE TEL DISCLOSED DONALD JAMES NISSEN WAS FORMERLY MENTIONED
IN MATTER CAPTIONED "ALLEGED OFFER OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND
DOLLARS BY WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, JACKSON, MISS.,"
TO ANYONE WHO WOULD KILL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

REVIEW OF ATLANTA FILES REFLECTS NISSEN HAS FBI NUMBER
SIX ZERO SEVEN THREE TWO ZERO A.

BUREAU REQUESTED COMPARE PRINTS NISSEN WITH PRINTS OBTAINED
ON MURDER WEAPON IN ATTEMPT TO ELIMINATE AS SUSPECT.

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M. H. [Signature]
By [Signature] Time 940p.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

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IN WISSEN OBTAINED. WISSEN. CASE OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND

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FROM VIRGINIA (44-3886) (P) 1B

TO DIRECTOR (44-3886) AND JACKSON.

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To: SAC's Atlanta (44-1386)
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From: Director, FBI (44-38861) — 2399

MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype 4-17-68.

The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impressions in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Donald James Nissen, FBI #607320A. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Nissen.

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April 24, 1968

TO:

SAC, New Orleans

RE:

MURKIN

REFERENCE:

Teletype 4/17/68

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

New Orleans

SPECIMENS:

No fingerprint record located Identification
Division files for the following listed individuals:

Douglas E. Vicknair
Russell J. Gaubert
Gastano T. Feltri
Benjamin E. Bertinot of Boutte, Louisiana
James M. Hollerman
Benjamin E. Bertinot of Baton Rouge,
Louisiana

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)

1 - Mr. Rosen

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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SAC, New Orleans

April 24, 1968

Latent fingerprints this case not identical fingerprints of other individuals whose names were listed in referenced teletype.

Laboratory reporting separately.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: April 16, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Hudson

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A letter dated April 10, 1968, has been received from William R. Badgett, Jr., Pilot Mountain, North Carolina in which he suggests one Rex Thomas Gravitte as a possible suspect in the killing of Martin Luther King, Jr. According to Badgett, Gravitte resided in either St. Louis or Louisville. The remainder of Badgett's letter is a rambling discourse relating in part to "the worldwide hotpill racket" and other matters totally unrelated to the instant case.

Bureau files do not contain any information regarding Rex Thomas Gravitte or Gavitte. *MO KY* B. APPROX 1933-38

Bureau files do disclose that one William Badgett of Pilot Mountain, North Carolina, directed a letter to the Justice Department dated February 5, 1940, on the letterhead of Badgett and Badgett Attorneys; this related to possible information he had concerning the Matson kidnapping case. A second letter was received dated February 17, 1940, from W. R. Badgett on this same letterhead, advising that the first letter had been written by his son William. He advised that his son was very abnormal and he wanted us to understand the conditions under which his letter had been written. He stated his son had experienced mental problems for several years. (7-1820-28922 and 29035)

On December 6, 1945, William Badgett of Pilot Mountain, North Carolina, telephoned the Bureau and reported that the movie star Linda Darnell who had eloped to Las Vegas, Nevada, two years previously had not done so voluntarily. (62-60004)

ACTION

1. The correspondent appears to be identical to the individual mentioned in Bureau files and in view of his reported mental condition no further action will be taken regarding this information. His letter will not be acknowledged.

2. In view of Badgett's comment that Gravitte might assassinate the President, a copy of his letter is being furnished the United States Secret Service.

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no action
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Cleveland Ohio
April 25-1968

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

On Tuesday April 23-1968 between 8:30 AM + 9: AM I called the F.B.I. office here in Cleveland to give them some information of what I saw. On Monday April 22 about 11:20 AM I saw a Car parked here in a shopping center with a man sitting on the passengers side. He was evidently waiting for his buddy. The car was a very dirty dark green, two door 1966 Cadillac with a black vinyl top bearing Missouri license plates. I was starting to look for pencil and paper in the compartment of my car but just then the light turned green for me to proceed. I did get the following P 56 33 ^{with 4 more numbers on it.} I'm positive of the P 56

and almost sure of the 33 but sometimes the 3's look like 5's. The man I saw sitting in the Car I'm sure is the man wanted for the murder of Dr King. His right arm was on the door and with his hand he was nervously tapping the top of the Car. I went slowly and saw him, from the right side of his face (profile) He had a long nose. And as I got directly across from him I was still looking at him and he looked squarely at me and he slouched down in the Car. But I saw his nose & face and a strand of black sorta wavy hair fell on his right forehead near the temple. I went on parked my Car and got my pencil & paper and went back. This took me about 3 to 4 minutes as I had a red light & 2 stop signs to get back there. When I got there the Car was gone. Odd as it may seem it completely went

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out of my mind until about
11 P M that nite I awoke my Cousin
& told her about it. She told me
to call the F B I here in Cleveland
the next day (Apr 23) which I did.
The agent there took my information
& I asked him to come to my home so
I could more clearly explain it. He
said he would come today (Apr 23) or
tomorrow Apr 24 and he didnt come
to talk about it. I am sending a
picture of the man I saw. I have
drawn the place where I saw this car
& man. Thank you for reading this
letter & good luck in your search for
this man. The place I have drawn is
on the other side.

yours truly

Miss Mary Chortos
4211 Faxon Parkway
Suite 231
Cleveland Ohio

Phone 351-7862 (2)

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way I proceeded.

Memphis Ave

Jackson Rd

Beverage Store

Gas Station

Royal Castle Restaurant

Red Light

Memphis Ave

Jackson Rd

Dry Store

Bank

Chef's Home Restaurant

Cleaners

Beer Garden

Parking lot

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His Car parked here

I'm waiting for Red Light Street to shopping center

F B I

Date: 4/27/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

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

Re Cleveland airtel to Kansas City, 4/24/68 (IO) 331
 and Bureau telephone call to Cleveland, 4/26/68. CLEVELAND, OHIO

3. APPROX. 1918
 MARY CHORTOS was personally contacted on 4/26/68
 and receipt of her letter at the Bureau was acknowledged. CHIC

On 4/23/68 CHORTOS advised that she had observed a white male resembling subject RAY the previous day sitting in a 1966 blue Cadillac bearing Missouri license plates which was parked in the Fulton Shopping Center at Fulton and Memphis Roads. She stated that the license plate bore numbers PS 6 and that she could not remember the other numbers. She stated that this individual was sitting on the passenger side of the car and as the complainant looked at him he slouched in the seat. At the time of the telephone call, she stated that she was quite excited and could not remember what apartment she lived in; whether it was 231 or 213. She stated she had no other information to furnish and did not indicate that she desired to see an Agent.

On both 4/24 and 25/68, the parking lot at the Fulton Shopping Center was checked between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 12 noon, the time that she had indicated she had seen the automobile. Fulton-Memphis Shopping Center is a large shopping area and the traffic is very considerable

- 3 - Bureau
 1 - Kansas City
 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
 2 - Cleveland

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6 APR 29 1968

Approved: [Signature]
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

APR 30 1968

(8) RECEIVED
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DIVISION

5 - CLEVELAND, OH, PH '68
S - MEMPHIS (44-1981)
1 - KENNEDY STATION
2 - BUREAU

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EX 104

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A white shopping bag and the flight to New York City
had been the subject. Baton-Memphis shopping center in
11:00 a.m. and 12 noon, the three men had indicated the
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in the past. At the time of the telephone call, she stated
of the car and as the combination looked at him he appeared
excited and she indicated was sitting on the bench and
and that she could not remember the exact number. The
house. She stated that the license plate was number 38
was parked in the Baton shopping center at Baton and Memphis
a 1966 blue Chevrolet pickup truck. License plates were
more like remembering unless the vehicle was parked in
on 11:53 AM CHOMLOD stated that she had called

and receipt of her letter at the Bureau was acknowledged.
NINA CHOMLOD was telephonically contacted on 4/29/68

and Bureau telephone call to Cleveland, Ohio.
He Cleveland stated to Kansas City, Mo. (44-1981) (10)

RE: MURKIN
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (44-222) (P)
TO: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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throughout the day.

Mrs. CHORTOS was interviewed on 4/26/68, at which time she stated that after she had thought about this matter and visualized the car she realized from her visualization that the car had not been blue at all but was green and further that the license plate number was PS 633 or PS 655 followed by an additional four digits. According to CHORTOS, this made the plate two letters and seven digits. She stated that there was a Missouri plate and that the color was white on green.

Mrs. CHORTOS stated that her only glimpse of the subject was when she drove by the car and observed a portion of his profile from eyes down and for a moment full face when he looked in her direction. She did not see all of his face but she stated she did see his nose and that part of his face. She recalled that there was a long strand of hair hanging down by his eye. She could furnish no other description except to state that she thought he was quite handsome and could not guess his age as she "can't tell ages." She stated that her attention was drawn to this matter because of the fact that there was a Missouri license plate on the car and the next day she observed the picture of subject RAY in the Life magazine and because he slouched down in the seat. As Mrs. CHORTOS stated, she could not understand why he would slouch down in the seat when she looked at him.

Mrs. CHORTOS stated that she had written to the Bureau rather than call the Cleveland Office of the FBI because she realized that the Agents were so busy. She stated she had never met an FBI Agent before and really wanted to talk to one. She said she was very disappointed when an Agent did not come out to her house right after she had called and in fact she "cried a little."

The Agents explained to Mrs. CHORTOS that they were most appreciative of her information and had not realized that she expected to be personally contacted and that the Agents had acted in accordance with the value of the information, in immediately checking out the area indicated by her. Mrs. CHORTOS indicated that she was very pleased to have been of some assistance and was quite thrilled to have met some representatives of the FBI and indicated that ~~she~~ ^{if} she had anything ^{to} furnish, she would immediately call the Cleveland Office of the FBI.

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Mrs. CHORTOS resides with a lady companion, both of whom are about 50 years of age. Mrs. CHORTOS has very heavy masculine features and was wearing a man's black sweatshirt and black pants when contacted by the Agents. It is the impression of the Agents that Mrs. CHORTOS was undoubtedly sincere in calling the Bureau, but may be experiencing some emotional problems. In view of the vague and highly questionable accuracy of the information furnished by her, Cleveland is hereby resending the lead set out to Kansas City by re IO airtel to check the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for Cadillacs bearing PS 6 plates.

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