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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) P 2P

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REBUTELS APRIL TWO SIX, LAST.

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

CHICAGO HAS INITIATED INVESTIGATION FOLLOWING TO DETERMINE
WHETHER THEY COULD BE CONSPIRATORS THIS CASE:

ALFRED GEORGE SCHNEIDER (ELIMINATED, SEE CHICAGO TEL APRIL
TWO FIVE, LAST.)

ROBERT CORNELL BUXTON (ELIMINATED, SEE CHICAGO TEL APRIL
TWO SIX, LAST.)

JESSIE KILGRAF (KILGRAS) (ELIMINATED, SEE BUFFALO TEL APRIL
TWO SIX, LAST; SHE DREAMED KING'S LIFE WAS IN DANGER.)

MORTON L. ZASLAVSKI, CHICAGO, WHO ALLEGEDLY PUT UP THREE
THOUSAND DOLLARS TO HAVE KING KILLED.

THOMAS E. CREAMER, AKA CRAMER, WHO ALLEGED "NAZIS" GAVE HIM
ASSIGNMENT TO ASSINATE KING TO AVOID HARM TO HIS FAMILY.
NUMEROUS LEADS OUTSTANDING TO LOCATE.

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JOSEPH JOHN GAFFNEY, CHICAGO, WHO MAY HAVE BEEN CONNECTED WITH "MINUTEMEN" AND ALLEGEDLY WAS PART OF TWO MEN ASSINATION TEAM.

DONALD STOUT, WHO GAVE RIDE TO THREE YOUNG MEN FROM SAN FRANCISCO, ABANDONING THEM IN KANSAS CITY AND ENROUTE TOLD THEM IN SEPTEMBER, SIXTYSIX, HE WAS GOING TO SHOOT KING. EXTENSIVE INQUIRY UNDER WAY TO DETERMINE HIS PRECISE IDENTITY AND LOCATE HIM.

"TONY DEXTER", WHO WAS SUBJECT OF ANONYMOUS CALL TO NAACP, CHICAGO, IN NOVEMBER, SIXTYSIX, AN ALLEGED CITY OF CHICAGO EMPLOYEE, WHO SUPPOSEDLY KNEW AN INDIVIDUAL OFFERING TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ASSINATION OF KING. NO SUCH EMPLOYEE FOUND IN EXAMINATION CITY OF CHICAGO RECORDS, BUT THOROUGH INQUIRY CONTINUING.

JOHN C. MEDIZER, ACTIVE IN CHICAGO UNIT OF NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY. EXTENSIVE INQUIRY HAS NOT YET DETERMINED HIS CURRENT LOCATION, CONTINUING. HE HAS REPORTEDLY IN VAGUE TERMS SAID HE "WOULD TAKE CARE OF" KING.

EACH SUSPECT RECEIVING IMMEDIATE, THOROUGH HANDLING ON TOP PRIORITY BASIS.

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1155AM URGENT 4-29-68 LXS

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND SAN DIEGO
FROM HOUSTON (44-1509) 2P

MURKIN: CR.

RE SUSPECT, EARL RAY, RAY EARL, WARREN RAY,
RAY WARREN.

ON TODAY, A. E. "KIT" BROWN, GEN.
DEL., HAMPSHIRE, TEX. ADVISED EX-WIFE'S NAME IS DORIS
DEAN JONES NEE SCHULTZ, AKA., DORIS DEAN BROWN AND PRESENTLY
RESIDES ONE ZERO SEVEN ZERO SEVEN JAMIACA BLVD., SPACE
TWO FOUR SIX, SWEETWATER LODGE, SPRING VALLEY, CALIF.
BROWN ADVISED BASIS FOR DIVORCE FROM WIFE IN ONE NINE SIX
ZERO WAS FINDING LETTER IN WIFE'S PURSE FROM AN EARL RAY OR
RAY EARL OR WARREN RAY OR RAY WARREN WHO AT TIME WAS IN STATE
PRISON AT JEFFERSON CITY, MO. IN LETTER WAS PHOTO AND BROWN
STATES WITH EXCEPTION OF HAVING MORE HAIR IT CLOSELY
RESEMBLED THE NINETEEN SIXTY PHOTO OF JAMES EARL RAY. WIFE
WHEN CONFRONTED SAID PERSON WRITING LETTER WAS IN JAIL ON
ARMED ROBBERY CHARGE BUT WAS FRAMED AND IF HE EVER NEEDED HELP
SHE WOULD GIVE IT TO HIM. BROWN KNEW LITTLE ABOUT WIFE'S
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PAST BEFORE MARRIAGE IN NINETEEN FIFTY NINE BUT DID KNOW
SHE WAS EMPLOYED AS WAITRESS IN ST. LOUIS, MO. FROM NINETEEN
FIFTY SIX TO NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT. WIFE LAST IN AREA
APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AGO FOR FUNERAL OF HUSBAND WILLIAM
L. JONES WHO WAS IN U. S. NAVY.

LEAD: SAN DIEGO AT SPRING VALLEY, CALIF. INTERVIEW
DORIS DEAN JONES TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF PERSON REFERRED
TO BY HUSBAND. BROWN REQUESTS SOURCE OF INFO NOT BE DISCLOSED
TO WIFE.

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FBI SAN ANTONIO

1158PM CST URGENT 4-26-68 DNB

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)

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PERMUR TO ALL OFFICES APRIL TWENTYTHREE LAST.

SUBJ: REQUESTED COMPARE FINGERPRINTS OF JAMES EARL RAY,
FBI NO FOUR ZERO FIVE NINE FOUR TWO G. WITH LATENTS PREVIOUSLY
FURNISHED BY SAN ANTONIO IN FOLLOWING CASES, FURNISHING RESULTS
TO MEMPHIS AND SAN ANTONIO.

UNSUB: TEXAS STATE BANK, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, JUNE EIGHTEEN-
NINETEEN, SIXTYSEVEN. RR. BUFILE NINE ONE DASH TWO SEVEN TWO
NINE TWO; SAN ANTONIO NINE ONE DASH TWO TWO EIGHT ONE.

UNSUB: FALLS CITY NAT. BANK, FALLS CITY, TEXAS, MARCH NINETEEN-
TWENTY, SIXTYSEVEN. RR. BUFILE NINE ONE DASH TWO SIX SIX ONE
SEVEN, SAN ANTONIO NINE ONE DASH TWO TWO ONE TWO.

UNSUBS (TWO): SAN ANTONIO SAVINGS ASSN., HANDEY ANDY NO.
SEVENTEEN, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, JANUARY NINETEEN, SIXTYEIGHT RR.
BUFILE NINE ONE DASH TWO NINE ONE SEVEN ZERO, SA NINE ONE DASH
TWO FOUR SEVEN SEVEN.

REVIEW OF NINETEEN CASES IN SAN ANTONIO DIV. FOR PURPOSES
OUTLINED IN PERMUR CONTINUING.

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LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION WORK SHEET

Recorded: 4-26-68 3:25 p.m.

Reference No: 44-1242

Received: 4-26-68 SC

FBI File No: 44-38861

Latent Case No: 91075

Answer to: SAC, SAN ANTONIO

Examination requested by: Addressee

Copy to: 2cc Memphis 44-1987

RE: MURKIN

Date of reference communication: Teletype 4-26-68

Specimens:

Named suspect:

JAMES EARL RAY, FBI # 405 942 G

Compare prints of suspect JAMES EARL RAY with latents
developed in cases entitled:

UNSUB;

TEXAS STATE BANK
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
6/18-19/67; BB

BUfile # 91-27292

LC # 81613

SA # 91-2281

Result of examination:

See attached sheet.

Examination by: Bonebrake

Evidence noted by:

Examination completed

Time

Date

Dictated

Date

BUfile # 44-38861
LC # 91075
SA # 44-1242

Compare prints of suspect JAMES EARL RAY with latents developed
in cases entitled:

UNSUB;
FALLS CITY NATIONAL BANK
FALLS CITY, TEXAS
3/19-20/67; BB

BUfile # 91-26617
LC # 77673
SA # 91-2212

UNSUBS (2);
SAN ANTONIO SAVINGS ASSOCIATION
HANDY ANDY # 17
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
1-19-68; BB

BUfile # 91-29170
LC # 90966
SA # 91-2477

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To: SAC, San Antonio (44-1242)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, REC 16
44-38861

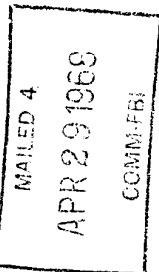
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Re San Antonio teletype 4/20/68.

Latent fingerprints previously reported in following list
of cases are not identical with fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI
#44-38861.

Unsub.
Texas State Bank
San Antonio, Texas
6/19-19/67
BB
Bufile #91-27292
Latent Case #61613

Unsub.
Falls City National Bank
Falls City, Texas
3/19-20/67
BB
Bufile #91-26617
Latent Case #77673



- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Bufile (91-27292)
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Unsubs. (2),
San Antonio Savings Association
Handy Andy #17
San Antonio, Texas
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Bufile #91-29170
Latent Case #90066

No palm prints Identification Division files for Ray.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 4-29-68

FROM : Legat, Rome (44-2) (P.)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

10/15/01

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Re Bureau routing slips 4-17-68 and 4-19-68, which transmitted photographs and a press release on JAMES EARL RAY, aka. These items were received by Legat, Rome, on 4-22-68.

On 4-23-68 photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and the authorized press release were furnished to ROBERT C. CUNNINGHAM, Managing Editor of the Rome Daily American, an English language newspaper published in Rome and circulated throughout Europe, the Middle East, and some African countries. The photographs and information contained in the press release were published in the 4-24-68 edition of the Rome Daily American.

The same material was furnished on 4-23-68 to ELVIZIO BIANCHI, Managing Director of Agenzia Giornalistica Italia (AGI), which is the equivalent of UPI or AP in the United States. BIANCHI transmitted the information to the Italian newspapers which AGI services throughout Italy, and much of the data furnished to him was noted in the Italian press on 4-24-68.

For the Bureau's information, [CIA]^(S) American Embassy, Rome, had been advised by its headquarters on 4-20-68 to disseminate detailed information of JAMES EARL RAY to Italian police sources. [CIA] promptly alerted the^(S) Division of Confidential Matters (DAR), Italian National Police, Rome, and the Italian Defense Intelligence Service (SID), Rome, and also informed Legat of the action taken.

Both DAR and SID, knowing of FBI interest in this matter, checked with Legat to determine whether this

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office would also submit a request inasmuch as the alerting of all police districts in Italy with detailed information involves a communication expense of almost \$2000. Both sources were advised that [CIA] had coordinated (S) this matter and that they should honor [CIA's] request. (S) DAR and SID have instructed all police districts to determine if subject has visited Italy in the past and to remain alert for any current travel on subject's part.

These sources have been requested to notify this office immediately of any positive information developed.

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Date: 4/30/68

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769) (P)
SUBJ: MURKIN
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Re Bureau telephone call from Supervisor CLEM MC GOWAN 4/30/68; telephonic complaint from BAILEY SANDLIN to Department of Justice.

BAILEY SANDLIN, Mt. Dora, Florida, telephone 383-2181, contacted Mt. Dora Motor Lodge 4/30/68; his permanent address is 77 East Amelia Street, Orlando, Florida. He advised an individual, possibly JAMES EARL RAY, had pulled a gun on him in the carport of his office, 1906 West Colonial Street, Orlando, Florida, on 4/26/68. He contacted the FBI, Orlando, and Orlando Police Department the same date regarding this information.

Resident Agency Orlando contacted telephonically 4/26/68 and advised they had received complaint and investigated situation with negative results.

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C. C. - Bishop

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TO DIRECTOR (CODEL)

FROM BALTIMORE (44-669) (66-965)

COPIES MADE. DATE 5-14-78 BY
 138155 RE [REDACTED]
 FOR REVIEW AT [REDACTED] DELIVERY
 TO HSCA RE REQUEST DATED 12-13-82
 (SEE BUFILE 62-117290)

MURKIN; BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR.

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE APRIL TWENTYFOUR LAST SUGGESTING CHECK
 OF JAMES RAY, SSN [REDACTED]

ON APRIL TWENTYSIX LAST, WILLIAM E. HANNA, JR., DIRECTOR, BUREAU
 OF DATA PROCESSING AND ACCOUNTS, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,
 BALTIMORE, MD., CONTACTED SAC AND REQUESTED A CONFERENCE SINCE
 THIS OFFICE HAD SUBMITTED THE NAMES ERIC STARVO GALT WITH
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[REDACTED], WITH BALTIMORE SOURCE FOUR AS SUGGESTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

UACB, BALTIMORE WILL ONLY CHECK NAMES IN THIS CASE WITH SPECIFIC BUREAU APPROVAL.

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Date May 6, 1968

RE:

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☒ For information ☐ Retention optional ☐ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____

☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.

☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____.

Remarks:

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Source 4 on this lead. For info.**

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Date: 4/30/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) P
 MURKIN

Re Omaha tel to Bureau, 4/24/68 and mytel to Bureau,
 4/29/68.

Enclosed for each office one copy of photo of ROBERT
 DALE PORTER, FBI #4590482, taken December, 1964, furnished by
 girlfriend of PORTER, CARMEN RAMAGE.

The following investigation was conducted in Oklahoma
 City by SAs DAVID J. LANG and MICHAEL F. HUTTER:

On 4/25/68, CARMEN E. RAMAGE, 1642 N.W. 12th, Apt. 1,
 advised that she first met ROBERT DALE PORTER five years ago
 in Kansas City in August. She stated that she had met him at
 the Belmont Bar, Kansas City, Mo. and they had spent the evening
 there at the Slip Bar. She advised that she had not seen PORTER
 since then to April 19, 1968. She stated that while he was serving
 time in the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) at Jefferson City,
 that numerous pieces of correspondence passed between them.

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That numerous pieces of correspondence dated between
time in the Missouri State Department (12) at
since then to April 10, 1968. She stated that while
about of the FBI but she stated that she had not seen
the Missouri but Kansas City, Mo. and that she had seen the
in Kansas City in March. She stated that she had not seen
related that she first met ROBERT DUFF BOLLEN, alias
On 12/20/68, CIVILIAN D. BULLOCK, 1915 N.W. 13TH, WASH. D.C.

CITY RA 215 DALLAS, TEXAS and MICHAEL L. MILLER:

The following investigation was conducted in Oklahoma

Statement of BOLLEN, CIVILIAN BULLOCK.
DUFF BOLLEN, FBI #1280432, taken December, 1961, assigned as
enclosed for each office one copy of photo of BOLLEN

12/20/68.
He stated that he visited 12/20/68 and dated to return

APRIL

FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (44-989)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-23891)

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RAMAGE stated that PORTER had remained in Oklahoma City from 4/19 and she had last seen him approximately 10 AM, 4/23/68. She stated that he must have left town or else he would have been in contact with her.

RAMAGE stated PORTER had told her that he had been in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and had traveled around the State of Iowa and that he had left his home in Waverly, Iowa taking with him his mother's ring which he had pawned and sent her the pawn ticket. PORTER further told her that he had been released from the MSP on 12/8/67 and that he had known JAMES EARL RAY while in the penitentiary. He stated that while in the Penitentiary that RAY had escaped from the penitentiary in a guard's uniform while he was working in the dry cleaning plant and that RAY had obtained this uniform from a guard who has since been fired. He stated that RAY and this guard were very close friends. She further stated that PORTER told her that RAY had not escaped in a bakery truck as the newspapers had reported. RAMAGE stated that she had sent a check, in February, 1968, in the amount of \$23.00 to PORTER in Waverly so that he could obtain a bus ticket to come to Oklahoma City to see her. She stated that PORTER had called her from the bus depot in Oklahoma City approximately 7:30 PM 4/19/68 and told her that he was drinking with a person who had an amputated hand at the knuckles at Winnie's Bar which is located across the street from the bus depot.

RAMAGE stated that PORTER had possibly applied for employment as machinery operator at an automatic car wash in the 4000 block of North Pennsylvania or through the Key Personnel, 110 N. Robinson or at some Mortgage and Loan Company across the street from the city library. RAMAGE further advised that PORTER had told her that he had lost his luggage in Kansas City and was currently traveling without any luggage.

Continuous and intensive investigation was conducted to locate PORTER at Oklahoma City.

On 4/29/68, PORTER was located through an Oklahoma City PCI at the Blood Plasma Donor Center, 505 West Main, Oklahoma City and was subsequently interviewed furnishing the following information:

ROBERT DALE PORTER, temporarily residing at Hudson Hotel, Oklahoma City, stated that he had been in the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), Jefferson City, Mo. from June or July, 1961 through 9/1/62 and again from 3/2/64 until his

release on 12/8/67. PORTER stated that upon his release from MSP, that he had gone to Waverly, Iowa to live at the residence of his mother, CLARA PORTER, 103-1/2 E. Bremer, Waverly.

PORTER stated that he left Waverly in the latter part of February, 1968 and the following is approximately his itinerary.

Waterloo, Iowa - where he remained approximately 2 days.

Des Moines, Iowa - remaining 3 to 4 days.

Cheyenne, Wy. - remaining 3 days.

Pocahontas, Iowa - over night with uncle HANS NIELSON.

Humble, Iowa - over night with uncle HANS PORTER.

Aplington, Iowa - over night where he contacted his brother-in-law's mother and brother, LOUELLA and MELVIN ACKER.

Iowa City, Iowa - remaining approx. one week. While there he pawned a man's black face ring at the Hock-Eye Pawn Shop for \$7 on 3/11/68. PORTER resided he believes at the Berkley Hotel, where the bus station is located and left town on 3/11/68.

Storm Lake, Iowa - remaining approx. 2 days.

Red Oak, Iowa - over night. Porter resided at the hotel across the street from the Police Dept.

PORTER then hitchhiked to Barstow, Calif. leaving approx. 10 AM, one day and arriving in Barstow early the next evening. This ride was with a mechanic from Marshal Town, Iowa. That same date, PORTER hitched a ride to Visalia, Calif. with a girlfriend employed at Nellis AFB, Las Vegas, Nev., arriving Visalia that evening. PORTER stayed at Visalia approximately one week and visited with his daughter, VICTORIA RAY PORTER. He stated VICTORIA is residing with a JOSIE ACOSTA PORTER who is living with a CHUCK (LNU). JOSIE, PORTER's ex-wife, resides at 124 N.W. 1st, Visalia.

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PORTER then spent two or three days hitchhiking to Nevada where he stayed over night.

Las Vegas, Nev. - where PORTER stayed at the McDonald Hotel, approximately 3 nights.

Salt Lake City - remaining 2 nights.

Laramie, Wy. - remaining one night.

Denver, Colo. - where PORTER visited with a BETTY LOU LUCAS, 3626 Perry Street.

PORTER hitchhiked from Denver to Colorado Springs, Colo. with a PHILLIP E. MEHL, 432 W. Bijou, where he remained for 2 or 3 days.

Albuquerque, N.M. - PORTER resided at Albuquerque for 2 to 3 days and contacted a ROSE SINKEY, who formerly resided in Waverly, Iowa.

Las Cruces, N.M. - PORTER spent approx. 2 days traveling from Las Cruces to Van Horn, Texas where he resided at the only hotel in town over night.

Fort Worth, Texas - PORTER resided for approximately 2 days at a cheap motel located near the bus depot.

Durant, Oklahoma - residing over night.

McAlester, Oklahoma - PORTER resided with a couple that live behind a cab stand for two days.

Canadian, Oklahoma - residing one day, while there PORTER helped an individual paint 55-gallon oil drums for use on his boat dock.

PORTER then went to Miami, Oklahoma where he resided one night at the St. James Hotel.

PORTER traveled by bus from Miami, Oklahoma to Carthage, Missouri stopping for approx. one hour in Joplin, Mo. While in Joplin, PORTER attempted to contact a ROGER ZINN, a former convict but stated he was unable to do so. PORTER stated that he recalls while waiting in the bus depot that he heard of the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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While in Carthage, PORTER contacted a BETTY ELLIOTT, 901 Fulton St., while attempting to contact a girl he had known in 1947.

PORTER traveled to Warsaw, Mo. staying overnight. While in Warsaw, he contacted a JACK LANPHERE by telephone and stated he wanted to see LANPHERE, that he wanted to borrow money from him. LANPHERE advised that he was unable to get into town because of his parole status.

PORTER traveled to Columbia, Mo. where he was a sleeper at the Police Dept. and the next day contacted an uncle, MARION MURRAY, 102 Thistledown Dr., Columbia.

PORTER then traveled to California, Mo. and attempted to locate a LEWIS BARGEON who had been in the MSP Maximum Security with PORTER. He was unable to contact him but stayed overnight at California, Mo.

PORTER then traveled to Maysville, Mo. where he resided at the Lincoln Hotel overnight and contacted Sheriff O. L. Maddox.

St. Joseph, Mo. - PORTER checked in at a small hotel but met a person, name unrecalled, in a bar and they then went to Kansas City, Mo. by car and stayed at the Gladstone Hotel. PORTER met with a MIKE COX at a bar on 9th St. in downtown, Kansas City, Mo. While with MIKE COX, he and COX drove on a Sunday to St. Louis, Mo. attempting to contact a LAWRENCE MOBLEY, a former convict described as a large Negro male. They were unable to contact MOBLEY. They contacted a Mrs. RICHARD PESEK, a sister-in-law of BETTY REITTER, the mother of a illegitimate son of PORTER by the name fo THOMAS DALE REITTER.

COX and PORTER returned to Kansas City that evening which he believes was a Sunday.

PORTER then traveled from Kansas City to Oklahoma City hitching a ride with two young boys from Peculiar, Mo. PORTER stated he believes that this was on 4/19/68. PORTER resided with a CARMEN RAMAGE, 1642 N.W. 12th, Oklahoma City until approx. 4/23/68 when he left hitching a ride with a Naval Lieutenant to Long Beach, Calif.

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PORTER stayed one day in Los Angeles at the bus depot and left Los Angeles on Friday.

PORTER arrived Oklahoma City Saturday night 4/27/68 where he stayed with a LLOYD HISE, 2728 N.W. 39th.

On 4/28/68, PORTER drove HISE and his pickup truck to Ft. Smith, Ark. and hitchhiked back arriving approx. 1 PM.

PORTER stated that while incarcerated in the MSP, that JAMES EARL RAY known to him as JIMMY RAY was involved in selling amphetamines to his fellow inmates. He stated that a JOHN STOUT, an ex-guard in the MSP was his source of these amphetamines. PORTER stated that STOUT and RAY were very good friends.

PORTER stated that RAY was extremely quiet, was a person who did not take much from anyone. He stated that to his knowledge RAY has taken amphetamines but had never taken any hard narcotics.

He further stated that whenever RAY was pushed around that he would retaliate fiercely. PORTER stated that on two previous occasions RAY had attempted to escape from the MSP - once by going over the wall and once when he hid in a ventilator shaft and subsequently broke his elbow. PORTER stated that RAY had never mentioned to him where he was from or where he would go when he got out of prison.

He further stated that RAY had never indicated that he disliked Negroes and to PORTER's knowledge was even associated with several while in the penitentiary. PORTER stated that he was leaving Oklahoma City on 4/29/68 and was hitchhiking to the home of his mother in Waverly where he would obtain work as a construction worker.

PORTER is described as follows:

Name	ROBERT DALE PORTER
DPOB	[redacted], Clarinda, Iowa
Height	6'
Weight	175
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Gray, in a crew cut
Social Security No.	[redacted]
Scars and marks	Tattoos - "BETO" back of right hand

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	"Sufrendo Es Mi Destino" back of right hand; "Mom" and "Dad" left outer forearm; Air Force wings with "AAF" above on left bicep; 6" scar outer, upper right arm; 4 to 5" tattoo removal scar right outer forearm with letter "P" over scar; $\frac{1}{2}$ " vertical scar left upper lip.
Glasses:	Wears prescription dark glasses, tinted green.
Military:	U. S. Navy 1943 to 12-29-43; Army Air Force 12-19-45 to 8-21-46; U. S. Air Force, 7-19-47 to 1948
Arrest record:	1948 burglary, Arizona; 1949 Statutory Rape, Iowa; 1952 Escape, Iowa; 1958 Checks, Texas, Terminal Island, California; 1961 Checks, Missouri; 1962 Checks, Iowa; 1964 Armed Robbery, Missouri
Sister:	Mrs. THOMAS DeGROOT, 1608 East Street Cedar Falls, Iowa.

LEADS:

EL PASO DIVISION

At Van Horn, Texas

Will attempt to ascertain date or dates PORTER resided at hotel in Van Horn, Texas. It is noted PORTER states he believes he was in Joplin, Missouri at the time of KING's murder, however, his presence 4-12-68 in Warsaw, Missouri has been verified. It would therefore appear from a review of PORTER's itinerary that he was possibly in Van Horn, Texas at the time of KING's murder. In the event it is ascertained by El Paso that PORTER was not in Van Horn, Texas at time of KING's murder, then El Paso should set out appropriate leads, from the itinerary furnished by PORTER, in order to establish his whereabouts on 4-4-68.

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

At Jefferson City, Missouri

Will attempt to locate and interview JOHN STOUT for any information re subject RAY.

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ReKctel, 4/29/68.

On 4/30/68, Inspector M. SNELL, Beaumont PD advised their records reflect WILLIAM THOMAS JACOBS last handled at Jefferson County, 3/25/65 when he was sentenced to two years, Texas Prison System, Huntsville Unit, DPS No. 183303.

LEAD:HOUSTONAT BRYAN, TEXAS

Will at Huntsville Unit check records of WILLIAM THOMAS JACOBS and ascertain present location for purpose of interview.
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RE BUREAU TEXAS

HOLLIS

LEAD:

Leads: Texas Bureau advised, MILITARY RECORDS, BOX NO. 183303.
Reference made, 3/25/68 when he was sentenced to two
years records letter, MILITARY RECORDS, Texas Bureau advised
on 4/30/68, Investigator M. SMITH, Birmingham, AL advised
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RE JOSEPH JOHN GAFFNEY AND ORVILLE H. BRETTMAN.

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Re Tampa teletype to Bureau 4/27/68.
 Pittsburgh teletype to Director and Tampa 4/29/68.

SUSPECT RICHARD RUSSELL BALL

On 4/30/68, BALL, residence 3460 Dorreen Drive, Lakeland, Florida was contacted at his place of employment, CARL R. PROFFITT Company, Swindell Road, Lakeland.

Mr. BALL advised he has been living in Lakeland since 8/64, at which time he went to work for Food Transport Company, as terminal manager. He said he left Food Transport Company on 1/20/67 and was unemployed until 4/67, when he went to work for the Lakeland Transit Lines, as a bus driver.

BALL stated he remained at that employment only until the middle of 10/67 and after a week or two, returned to Parkersburg, West Virginia. Mr. BALL said while there he contacted CARL PROFFITT, an old friend, who owned a trucking company at 526 31st Street, Parkersburg, and arranged to open an office for him in Florida.

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BALL advised he returned to Lakeland in 11/67 and immediately opened an office for PROFFITT. He explained that PROFFITT sends him a schedule every Saturday, listing the destination in Florida, and the time of arrival, of every company truck, for the following week. It is his job to arrange a load, as close to the period of unloading as possible, for the return trip north.

BALL exhibited the weekly dispatch sheet for the week ending 4/6/68. It showed return loads, arranged by him, for 4/4,5,6,7/68

Wanted flyer #442-A concerning JAMES EARL RAY was shown Mr. BALL. He stated that the man in the photograph was unfamiliar to him. He said further that neither the name RAY nor any of the aliases shown on the flyer were names he was acquainted with.

BALL categorically denied having conspired with RAY or anyone else in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. He referred back to previous interview by the FBI concerning an alleged threat by him against KING and stated that he still did not believe he had made the threat, but was too inebriated to recall.

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BALTIMORE VIA WASHINGTON -----

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RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE APRIL TWO NINE LAST.

ON INSTANT DATE, PCI JOHN TALLMAN, OWNER-OPERATOR, CAROSEL BAR, WATERFRONT, CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS, ADVISED THAT HE HAS BEEN ALERT FOR JAMES EARL RAY, SINCE ORIGINALLY ALERTED BY CONTACTING FBI AGENTS. PCI WAS TENDING BAR AT CAROUSEL WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL TWO FOUR LAST, AND DOES NOT RECALL SEEING ANYONE RESEMBLING RAY OR ANYONE FITTING DESCRIPTION GIVEN BY DR. RICHARD WIER. BARTENDERS BUD EBERHARDT AND THOMAS BYRD, AS WELL AS WAITRESSES AT CAROUSEL BAR, INTERVIEWED RE DR. WIER'S LEAD AND RESULTS NEGATIVE.

JAMES EARL RAY PUBLICITY IN THE VIRGIN ISLANDS, WITH EIGHT FIVE PERCENT NEGRO POPULATION, HAS GENERATED WIDE INTEREST AND HAS BEEN HIGHLIGHTED IN LOCAL NEWS MEDIA. PCI CITES THIS INTEREST AS REASON WHY HE DOUBTS RAY COULD BE IN VIRGIN ISLANDS UNDISGUISED AND NOT BE DETECTED.

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