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URGENT 4-30-68

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

FROM NEW ORLEANS

MURKIN.

EIGHT THOUSAND I. O.'S REQUIRED FOR NEW ORLEANS TO CIRCULATE ALL BARBER SHOPS IN LOUISIANA, BAKERIES AND CONFECTIONARY ESTABLISHMENTS, AS WELL AS ALL FIRMS DOING BUSINESS WITH THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, INCLUDING STEAMSHIP LINES, BARGE LINES, ETC.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO APPROVE ABOVE CIRCULATION AND FORWARD EIGHT THOUSAND I. O.'S FOR THIS PURPOSE.

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To: SAC, New Orleans

From: Director, FBI

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The Bureau under separate cover is forwarding 8,000 identification orders regarding subject Ray for the purpose of New Orleans to circulate all barber shops in Louisiana, bakeries and confectionery establishments as well as firms doing business at the Port of New Orleans, including steamship lines and barge lines.

Armed and dangerous.

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NOTE: New Orleans by teletype has requested Bureau send 8,000 identification orders to New Orleans to circulate all barber shops in Louisiana, bakeries and confectionery establishments as well as firms doing business with the Port of New Orleans, including steamship lines and barge lines.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-441111)
SUBJECT: [Illegible]
RE: [Illegible]
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Date: 5/2/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-138) (P)

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PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER 338

Re FTS tel call from EP to MK, 5/2/68 and NY airtel dated 4/30/68 to BA, DL, EP, OC, PH, PX, RH and WFO, which teletype has been received by NK office.

New York teletype indicated that one of the tourist passengers on American Airlines Flight 338 which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, was Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, telephone number 591-2552, El Paso, Texas.

On 5/1/68, WALLACE J. CAMP, Manager, Texas State Optical Co., residing 9100 El Dorado Drive, El Paso, Texas, advised that he has telephone number 591-2558 and that his mother-in-law is Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, who is currently located at the residence of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, 602 Jefferson, Blackwood, New Jersey.

LEADNEWARK DIVISIONAT BLACKWOOD, NEW JERSEY:

Will contact Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO in care of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, 602 Jefferson, Blackwood, New Jersey, to determine if any individual on above mentioned American Airlines flight was identical to subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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2 - Newark (RAM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-183) (P)

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PERSON RESEMBLING RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 338

Reference is made to FTS tel call from EP to NF, 5/1/68. This call transmitted the following:

New York teletype to Baltimore, Dallas, El Paso, Oklahoma City, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Richmond and WFO, dated 4/30/68, contained the following:

Re OC tel to the Director, dated 4/26/68.

Mrs. [REDACTED] (protect identity), 309 Elmwood Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma, was re-interviewed and IO #4182 displayed to her. Mrs. [REDACTED] said the individual she saw on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4/6/68, very strongly resembled RAY and she believed him to be identical with RAY. She stated she first noticed this individual in Love Field Terminal, American Airlines waiting area a few moments prior to boarding this flight. Mrs. [REDACTED] could not locate her ticket stub but believed she occupied Seat 14-C, an aisle seat on left side of plane in tourist section and that the above individual occupied the aisle seat one row up on the right. Mrs. [REDACTED] said this individual did not get off the plane when it landed at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, Maryland, and did not converse with anyone on plane and carried no luggage. She informed he deplaned at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and she lost sight of him when her husband met her at the airport.

- ③ - Bureau (REG. AM)
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A representative of American Airlines, furnished the names of persons traveling tourist class on American Airlines, Flight 338, which departed Dallas, Texas, 4/6/68, at 9:05 a.m. and made one stop at Friendship Airport, Baltimore, before arriving at Philadelphia 1:31 same date.

These names included the following:

"Mrs. WEBB, area code 915, telephone number 565-5530", El Paso, Texas.

The El Paso Telephone Directory listed number 565-5530 to Sgt. WILLIE WEBB, JR., residing 3910 Taft, El Paso, Texas. Upon dialing this number, it was learned that this was not a working number.

SAN STEWART, 112th MI Group, Ft. Bliss, Texas, advised on 5/1/68, that Sgt. WILLIE WEBB, JR. was separated from the U. S. Army on 4/6/68, and left as a forwarding address, #1 Tillerson, Newport News, Virginia.

The following information obtained on 5/1/68, from GUS BILL (protect identity), Unit Manager, Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co., was not included in the FTS telephone call but is being set forth here as confirming information of possible value:

E-5 WILLIE WEBB, JR., ASN US 525 725 79, residing Apt. #5, 3910 Taft, El Paso, Texas, had service from January, 1968, to 3/29/68. He was attached to the 581st Transportation Support Group. Upon discontinuing his telephone service, he left as a forwarding address in care of Mr. WILLIE WEBB, SR., father, #1 Tillerson Drive, Newport News, Virginia.

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NORFOLK DIVISION

AT NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA:

Will attempt to locate and interview "Mrs. WEBB", in care of WILLIE WEBB, JR. and/or SR., #1 Tillerson Drive,

EP 157-188

Newport News, Virginia, to determine if the individual mentioned above on American Airlines Flight 338 is identical with subject JAMES EARL RAY.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 4/26/68

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

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

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (44-1368)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed herewith is one Gilbey's Gin bottle made available by MR. JOHN J. O'DONNELL, 47 North 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., on 4/25/68.

On 4/25/68 MR. JOHN J. O'DONNELL, 47 North 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., who is employed as a musician at the Cafe LaFitte, 1304 Drury Street, Philadelphia, Pa., appeared at the FBI Office at Philadelphia, where he related the following information:

On the evening of 4/6/68 he had encountered on the street near his home an individual who used the name of BILLY (LNU). O'DONNELL advised BILLY (LNU) was very cold and as a result, O'DONNELL took him to his home where he stayed for the evening and left the following morning.

According to O'DONNELL, BILLY (LNU) resembled the pictures of JAMES EARL RAY which appear in both the Time Magazine issue of 4/26/68, and the U.S. News and World Report issue of 4/29/68 and the pictures appearing on Identification

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1 - Philadelphia (44-1368)

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PH 44-1368

Order #4182 dated 4/20/68.

O'DONNELL advised that BILLY (LNU) told him that he was in Philadelphia to visit some friends with whom he had been in the service, but that when he went into a movie, his wallet was stolen and he did not know how to get in touch with these individuals.

O'DONNELL advised this individual said he had come from the State of Alabama and spoke with a Southern accent. He advised he appeared to be slightly illiterate and a bigot. He advised this BILLY (LNU) made reference to the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and said he believed the individual who did the killing would get a lot of money.

O'DONNELL stated this individual wore a dark blue sportshirt, with long sleeves; dark blue trousers; white sox; and black shoes, without any outer clothing in spite of the cold weather.

O'DONNELL advised that BILLY (LNU) had slightly stooped shoulders, pock marks on the back of his neck and shoulders, but he did not recall any scar on his forehead.

O'DONNELL furnished a gin bottle which he indicated BILLY (LNU) had handled on four or five occasions. He stated that he and BILLY (LNU) were the only ones who had handled this gin bottle and he stated he felt that his and BILLY's fingerprints could be obtained from this bottle to determine definitely if this individual were identical to RAY.

He advised he knew of no additional pertinent information relative to BILLY (LNU) which would be helpful in locating him.

The Identification Division is requested to compare the latent fingerprints developed from the enclosed empty bottle of Gilbey's Gin with the known fingerprints of RAY and advise the Philadelphia Office.

PH 44-1368

The Identification Division is requested to dispose of the above bottle after the examination is completed.

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To: SAC's, Philadelphia (44-1368)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Philadelphia airtel 4-26-66, submitting one gin bottle for examination.

Four latent fingerprints of value were developed on the bottle. These latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of James Earl Ray, FBI #406942G.

Philadelphia requested to submit fingerprints or identifying data re owner bottle John J. O'Donnell for elimination purposes.

Bottle destroyed, as requested.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
 OO: MEMPHIS

RE THREATS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

RE: THOMAS E. CRAMER, aka
Thomas E. Creamer

Re Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 5/1/68
 and Seattle teletype to the Bureau dated 5/2/68.

On 5/1/68, STEWART NORTHRUP, Manager, Bush Hotel, 621 South Jackson Street, Seattle, advised that THOMAS E. CRAMER was registered at the Bush Hotel from 3/2/68, until 4/27/68. He furnished a home address of 1820 West Oakdale, Chicago, Illinois. He roomed with one LOUIS FEE, home address 2227 West 22nd, Chicago, Illinois. Although CRAMER moved out of the hotel on 4/27/68, FEE still resides there.

NORTHRUP stated he believed CRAMER to be employed at the White Front Department Store in Seattle, Washington.

On May 1, 1968, inquiry at the White Front Department Store, Aurora Avenue North, Seattle, failed to reflect any employee by the name of CRAMER or CREAMER.

On 5/1/68, MICHAEL MURRAY, Manager, White Front Department Store, Burien, Washington, advised that THOMAS CRAMER is employed there in the Sporting Goods Department. CRAMER was off on 5/1/68 but due to return to work on 5/2/68. MURRAY did not have a home address for CRAMER.

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MURRAY referred to employment records for CRAMER and stated that he has been employed with White Front since 3/11/68, and is a most satisfactory employee. He stated that he works five days a week from 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

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During April his days off were Wednesday and Thursday, although MURRAY could not be sure that CRAMER took his days off since employees sometimes work on their day off or trade the day off with other employees for personal reasons.

THOMAS CRAMER was interviewed at the White Front Department Store, Burien, Washington, on 5/2/68. He stated he has been in Seattle continuously since early March, 1968 with the exception of a few short trips to the nearby rural areas for fishing. CRAMER advised that while employed at the Stuart Warner Corporation, 1826 West Diversy Street, Chicago, Illinois, in 1966, he had occasion to fire a Negro girl under his supervision. Shortly thereafter a series of what he described as retaliatory measures took place, among them a personal assault on CRAMER accompanied by the theft of his automobile and threats to his family. When his automobile was recovered, it was found to have sugar in the gas tank and other damage which appeared to have been deliberately caused.

CRAMER stated that shortly after the above incidents, two detectives from the Damon Avenue Station of the Chicago Police Department approached him at his home and furnished him with information re HELENA KAUFMAN, such as that set forth in re Chicago tel. He advised the detectives at that time that he believed this to be another retaliatory measure by members of the "Deacons For Defense", a Negro organization whom CRAMER believes is responsible for the attacks on his person and property in retaliation for his firing of the Negro girl, above. He felt at that time that this matter had been settled to the satisfaction of the Chicago Police. CRAMER stated that his supervisor at that time was one MITCH TSCHAIKOWSKY (PH) whom he claimed would verify the above information. He stated that TSCHAIKOWSKY would also be in a position to furnish information regarding a bomb threat which was received at Stuart Warner Corporation around the same time as the above incidents and which CRAMER believes probably was connected with the Deacons for Defense.

CRAMER advised he was born [redacted] at Lima, Ohio, and currently resides at 6762 - 34th Avenue, White Center, Seattle, Washington. He operates a 1962 Oldsmobile. He claims to have been arrested on two occasions in Chicago as a result of fights.

On May 2, 1968, LOUIS FEE, the Bush Hotel, Seattle,

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advised that he met CRAMER in Denver, Colorado, in early March, 1968. They came to Seattle together and lived, until recently, together at the Bush Hotel. FEE stated that, to the best of his knowledge, CRAMER has been in Seattle continuously since they arrived. He stated that he also worked at the White Front Department Store with CRAMER and knows that CRAMER was also continuously employed at that store since March, 1968. FEE specifically recalled telling CRAMER during the early part of April, 1968, of the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and pointed out that FEE was the first one to mention this to CRAMER. He recalled that this was either during the afternoon or early evening on the day KING was shot.

In view of the above, UAC, no further investigation is being conducted regarding CRAMER at Seattle.

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Date: 5/2/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

OO: Memphis

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 4/25/68; and
San Diego airtel to Bureau, 4/30/68.

RE LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA:

On 5/2/68, Mr. ROBERT E. GRAHAM, an employee of
IBM, 16005 Sherman Way, Van Nuys, California, was
interviewed by SA GEORGE E. ALKEN, JR.

Mr. GRAHAM stated that his brother's daughter
was the wife of LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA, who is currently
incarcerated in the Cobb County Jail, Marietta, Georgia,
and was interviewed regarding association with JAMES EARL
RAY by Buagents on 4/24/68.

Mr. GRAHAM stated that LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA arrived
at his residence at 5419 Diversity Drive, Palos Verdes,
California, the day prior to Thanksgiving, 1967. This

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visit lasted until the day after Thanksgiving, 1967, at which time DOWDA, driving his wife's Volkswagen, bearing Georgia license plates, departed with his wife en route to Monterey, California.

Mr. GRAHAM stated that approximately one and a half days later, DOWDA and his wife returned to the GRAHAMS' residence claiming he had lost his wallet in Monterey and was without funds. GRAHAM advised that he gave DOWDA sufficient funds to drive back to Atlanta, Georgia.

GRAHAM, after consulting a 1967 calendar, recalled that DOWDA arrived at his residence on 11/22/67, and stayed through a portion of the day 11/24/67. He left en route to Monterey on that date and returned to Los Angeles from Monterey approximately 11/25/67.

DOWDA should be reinterviewed about his activities during the period of time when he left Los Angeles, California; allegedly going to Monterey California.

GRAHAM advised that he would consult with his wife on the evening of 5/2/68, and would be available for reinterview on 5/3/68.

Los Angeles will reinterview GRAHAM 5/3/68, and will advise results.

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ATLANTA

AT MARSHETTA, GEORGIA: Reinterview JAMES RAYMOND DOWDA, an inmate at the Cobb County Jail, concerning his alleged trip from Los Angeles, California, to Monterey, California, and the facts surrounding the loss of his wallet while in Monterey, California.

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Transmit the following in _____
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TO: Bureau (44-38861)
 Memphis (44-1987)
 Louisville

FROM: SAC, Jackson (157-9588) (P)

MURKIN
 (OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Bureau airtel to Jackson, Dallas Jacksonville
 dated 4/25/68.

Referenced Bureau airtel indicated that the
 main file on MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. had been reviewed
 and certain threats against KING were set forth. Among
 the alleged threats was the following:

"Jackson Office, by teletype, 9/17/66, entitled
 'Unsub; alleged plan to kill Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
 Grenada, Miss., Racial Matters,' reported that the
 Rev. EMMETT BARFIELD, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church
 Grenada, Miss., who requested his identity be concealed
 claimed an attorney in his parish told him two white
 residence of Grenada planned to assassinate KING on
 9/19/66 at Grenada. These men allegedly wanted to retain
 the attorney should they be charged."

A review of Jackson file 157-5712, on 4/27/68,
 disclosed no additional information other than as summarized
 above.

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JN 157-9586

Inquiry at the First Presbyterian Church, Grenada, Miss., disclosed that Rev. EMMETT BARFIELD is no longer located in Grenada, Miss.

On 5/3/68, EDWARD THOMPSON, (Protect), U. S. Postmaster, Grenada, Miss., advised that his records disclose Rev. EMMETT BARFIELD is now located at 113 Woodmont Drive, Paris Kentucky, zip code 40361.

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LOUISVILLE DIVISION

AT PARIS, KENTUCKY

Will locate Rev. EMMETT BARFIELD at 113 Woodmont Drive and attempt to determine from him the identity of the attorney at Grenada, Miss., who furnished Rev. BARFIELD with the above information and immediately advise the Jackson Office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re Springfield airtel dated 4/17/68 and Memphis airtel to all offices dated 4/25/68.

Re Laundry checks.

Remaining laundries checked in Springfield Division regarding laundry tags O2B-6 and 2OR-3 (prior to receipt of referenced Memphis airtel) with negative results.

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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

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MURKIN

INVESTIGATION RE STOLEN AUTOMOBILES, ATLANTA, DURING PERTINENT PERIOD REFLECTS 'FIFTY TWO-OR NARCON FORD, VIN BOAT ONE TWO SIX ONE ONE SIX, 'SIXTYSEVEN GEORGIA ONE DASH ONE SEVEN THREE SEVEN FIVE, REPORTED STOLEN TO ATLANTA POLICE BETWEEN HOURS TWELVE THIRTY AM AND EIGHT AM, APR. SIXTH, LAST, FROM TWELVE EIGHTYONE SIZEMORE AVE., NW, ATLANTA, WHILE IN CUSTODY OF RAYMOND CLAYTON. CAR NOT INSURED AND NO KEYS IN IGNITION AT TIME OF THEFT. CAR OWNED BY DENNIS CLAYTON, PRESENTLY IN USMC, CONFINED TO MEMPHIS NAVAL HOSPITAL WITH ULCER CONDITION SINCE FEBRUARY OR MARCH, LAST, AFTER RETURN FROM VIETNAM.

RAYMOND CLAYTON IS EMPLOYED BY CHECKER CAR CO., ATLANTA, HOWEVER, INTERVIEW FAILS TO REFLECT ANYTHING OF SIGNIFICANT RE CAPTIONED MATTER. SIZEMORE AVENUE ON OUTSKIRTS OF DOWNTOWN ATLANTA AREA AND NOWHERE NEAR ANY OF THE PERTINENT AREAS WHILE SUBJECT IN ATLANTA. SIZEMORE IS SLUM AREA OF BOTH WHITE AND NEGRO FAMILIES. END PAGE ONE

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AT 44-2386

PHOTOS OF JAMES EARL RAY DISPLAYED TO RELATIVES OF CLAYTON
WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. INASMUCH AS DENNIS CLAYTON IN MEMPHIS
DURING PERTINENT PERIOD, HE SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED RE CAPTIONED
MATTER TO ASCERTAIN IF POSSIBLY MET SUBJECT RAY IN MEMPHIS AREA.

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1133AM URGENT 5/5/68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND ST. LOUIS (44-775)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 1P

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AS A RESULT OF CHICAGO "SUN-TIMES" REPORTER LOCATING AND
INTERVIEWING SUBJECT'S BROTHER JERRY RAY THE VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA
CONVERGED ON SPORTSMAN'S COUNTRY CLUB LAST EVENING IN AN EFFORT TO
FURTHER INTERVIEW AND EXPLOIT JERRY RAY. MR. CHAMBERLAIN, OWNER,
SPORTSMAN'S COUNTRY CLUB, WHO HAS BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE WITH THIS
OFFICE MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE JERRY HIDDEN OUT IN A LOCAL HOTEL,
WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO LOCAL PRESS. CHAMBERLAIN RELEASED THE
INFORMATION THAT JERRY HAD LEFT HIS EMPLOYMENT AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS
UNKNOWN. THIS HAS RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE COVERAGE BOTH ON RADIO
AND TV, CHICAGO AREA. JERRY WILL CONTACT CASE AGENT THIS DATE
AND HE WILL BE DISCREETLY INTERVIEWED AS BEFORE ON A CONTINUING BASIS.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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from SY PRESEN ASSOCIATES
MEREDITH ANDERSON

41 East 57th Street - New York, N. Y. 10022 - PLaza 3-7094

April 27, 1968

MR.
To Hoover -

CAVE INSURING DR. KING SUSPECT
DOESN'T FOLLOW JESSE JAMES EXAMPLE

Pictures of James Earl Ray, suspect in the killing of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has gone up all over Meramec Caverns, on U.S. 66, Stanton, Missouri.

The cave wants to prevent Ray, who once escaped from the Missouri State Prison, from getting an idea to emulate another much wanted Missouri criminal, Jesse James, who used the cave as a hide-out during the 1870's.

Life-size posters of the much sought after Ray is on display throughout the five-story cave.

For many years, through the cooperation of J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the cave has been posting pictures of the FBI's "10 Most Wanted Men," in case any of them got any ideas from Jesse James. However, this is the first time that a wanted man's picture has been posted all around the underground emporium, according to Lester B. Dill, cave director.

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May 3, 1968

The attached Sy Presten news release was sent to the Director from Walter Winchell, 33 West 56th Street, New York, New York.

This is a duplicate of the release which was sent to the Director earlier in the week from Sy Presten Associates.

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MR. MOHR ✓
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MR. CONRAD
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (44-1509)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
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ReButel 4/25/68 to El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, advising that each office should determine from telephone company long distance calls placed at each public telephone on Interstate 10 over which subject and CHARLES STEIN allegedly traveled 12/15-17/67.

Set forth by field division are telephone calls made from the Houston Division, 12/15-17/67. Recipient offices will determine from the subscriber, or person receiving call, the identity of caller. If caller was JAMES EARL RAY, aka, obtain all available information.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 - Atlanta
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- 2 - Boston
- 2 - Charlotte
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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CALLING NUMBER</u>	<u>CALLED NUMBER</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
<u>ATLANTA:</u>			
12/17/67	835-8273 (Beaumont, Texas)	404-876-5551	Atlanta
<u>ALBUQUERQUE:</u>			
12/17/67	682-9177 (Houston, Texas)	505-243-1331	Albuquerque
12/15/67	468-9836 (Houston)	505-864-8204	Belen, N.M.
<u>BOSTON:</u>			
12/16/67	468-9009 (Houston)	617-944-1569	Reading, Mass.
12/16/68	835-9546 (Beaumont, Texas)	401-723-1085	Pawtucket, R. I.
<u>CHARLOTTE:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9255 (Houston)	919-599-9083	Roxboro, N.C.
12/15/67	886-9976 (Orange, Texas)	704-667-4670	Enka, Candler, N. C.
<u>CHICAGO:</u>			
12/15/67	769-9108 (Vidor, Texas)	312-832-4895	Elmhurst, Ill.
12/17/67	835-8273 Beaumont, Texas	309-786-1824	Rock Island, Ill.
<u>CINCINNATI:</u>			
12/17/67	892-9963 (Beaumont, Texas)	513-681-2839	Cincinnati
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	614-551-2363	Bartlett, Ohio
12/17/67	468-9844 (Houston, Texas)	513-653-6666	Urbana, Ohio

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<u>CLEVELAND:</u>			
12/17/67	468-9727 (Houston, Texas)	614-389-3058	Marion, Ohio
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12/15/67	682-9317 (Houston, Texas)	216-641-1461	Cleveland
<u>DETROIT:</u>			
12/17/68	673-9872 (Houston, Texas)	616-861-2456	Shelby, Mich.
<u>EL PASO:</u>			
12/16/67	673-9501 (Houston, Texas)	915-532-9146	El Paso
12/16/67	682-9348 (Houston, Texas)	915-362-4789	Odessa, Texas
12/17/67	468-9878 (Houston, Texas)	915-682-3697	Midland, Texas
<u>JACKSON:</u>			
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-582-3734	Hattiesburg, Miss.
12/16/67	453-9015 (Houston, Texas)	601-372-3537	Jackson
12/15/67	453-9611 (Houston, Texas)	601-722-4497	Seminary, Miss.
12/16/67	886-9011 (Orange, Texas)	801-684-6794	McComb, Miss.
12/17/67	468-9731 (Houston, Texas)	601-428-8829	Laurel, Miss.
12/17/67	835-9023 (Beaumont, Texas)	601-625-8547	Forest, Miss.

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<u>JACKSONVILLE:</u>			
12/15/67	673-9050 (Houston, Texas)	904-623-2008	Milton, Fla.
12/15/67	673-9419 (Houston, Texas)	904-675-4970	Jay, Fla.
<u>LAS VEGAS:</u>			
12/17/67	835-9587 (Beaumont, Texas)	702-384-7271	Las Vegas

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386) AND BALTIMORE
FROM PHOENIX (44-371) (2P)

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RE ATLANTA AIRTEL TO BUREAU AND ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES,
APRIL TWENTYFIVE, LAST; PHOENIX TEL TO BUREAU, MAY ONE,
LAST; AND ATLANTA TEL TO PHOENIX, MAY ONE, LAST, CAPTIONED
"UNSUB; SIXTYTWO FORD, VIN TWO A ONE TWO FIVE ONE TWO SIX
NINE ONE SIX."

RE CAR RECOVERIES FROM GEORGIA SUBSEQUENT TO MARCH
TWENTYTHREE LAST.

INVESTIGATION FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA, REFLECTS SIXTYTWO
FORD FALCON, GEORGIA LICENSE ONE NINE-D-TWO ONE SEVEN FOUR,
FOUND ABANDONED FLAGSTAFF APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST. CAR
DETERMINED STOLEN PERRY, GEORGIA, APRIL ONE, LAST. NO ONE
OBSERVED IN OR NEAR VEHICLE AT PLACE OF RECOVERY AND PHOTO
JAMES EARL RAY NOT IDENTIFIABLE IN AREA OF RECOVERY.

RE ATLANTA TEL MAY ONE LAST SET FORTH INFO HOWARD
EDWARD TACKETT, WHITE MALE, TWENTYSIX, SIX ONE ZERO DUNBARTON,
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BALTIMORE, AND RONALD ALLEN WOODS, ONE TWO ONE SIX CRESCENT DRIVE, PERRY, GEORGIA, STOPPED WHILE DRIVING VEHICLE APRIL EIGHT, LAST, AT VENTURA, CALIF.

ATLANTA AT PERRY, GEORGIA, ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF RONALD ALLEN WOODS, ONE TWO ONE SIX CRESCENT DRIVE, IDENTIFIABLE WITH JAMES EARL RAY.

BALTIMORE AT SIX TEN DUNBAR, DETERMINE IF HOWARD EDWARD TACKETT IDENTIFIABLE WITH RAY.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re San Francisco teletype to the Director, 5/2/68.

SUSPECT HAROLD EDWARD NICHOLS, aka "Hal Nichols.

For information of offices not previously having information concerning NICHOLS, he is considered possible suspect and co-conspirator because of an alleged offer to an informant to furnish airline tickets and untraceable weapon if the informant would travel to unspecified place to kill certain designated Negro leaders including MARTIN LUTHER KING.

The reliability and credibility of the informant is unknown but is considered subject to doubt because of discrepancies of his stories, and because of information received from other sources.

NICHOLS has been extremely active in affairs of the American Independent Party in California, prompting GEORGE WALLACE for president.

AGENTS IN INTERVIEWS SHOULD EXERCISE DISCRETION AND CAUTION TO PREVENT ANY FALSE ALLEGATIONS THAT THE FBI IS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES OF THE AIP.

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
 1 - Birmingham (Info.) (AM)(RM)
 2 - Los Angeles (AM)(RM)
 2 - Knoxville (AM)(RM)
 2 - Memphis (44-1987)(AM)(RM)
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HAROLD EDWARD NICHOLS, commonly known as HAL NICHOLS, was interviewed at his apartment, #33 Los Palmas Apartments, 15375 Tropic Court, San Leandro, California. After proper identification, he was advised that investigation was being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning a violation of Federal Law in connection with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. Further, that an allegation had been received that Mr. NICHOLS might have information pertinent to this matter on the basis of remarks NICHOLS is reported to have made concerning such matters in the presence of others.

Mr. NICHOLS advised that he has no information concerning the murder, and except for his personal opinion as to who might be responsible, has no specific information concerning the murder. He said he had absolutely no objection to discussion of the matter.

Mr. NICHOLS advised that he is extremely active in the political field at the present time and in the recent past. He is a member of an eight man board in charge of promoting candidates for the American Independent Party (AIP) in California, and particularly in behalf of the candidacy of former Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama for President. He stated that most persons not familiar with the AIP program and objectives, seem to assume that those favoring AIP are what is sometimes termed "negro-baiters." He denied that this is true, and said that from the view point of promoting the AIP, the murder of Dr. KING under such circumstances was a set back to the AIP who might have favored their principles.

He said that no one knowledgeable in affairs of the AIP would have caused or participated in a situation or action such as this in that it would be certain to make a "Martyr" of Dr. KING, which would hurt the AIP.

However, since persons generally seem to associate AIP members with "negro-baiters," he is frequently "kidded" along such lines by certain persons with whom he regularly comes into contact.