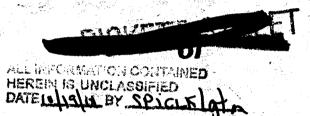
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MR. TROTTER/

DATE: 5-7-68

FROM

S. F. Latona

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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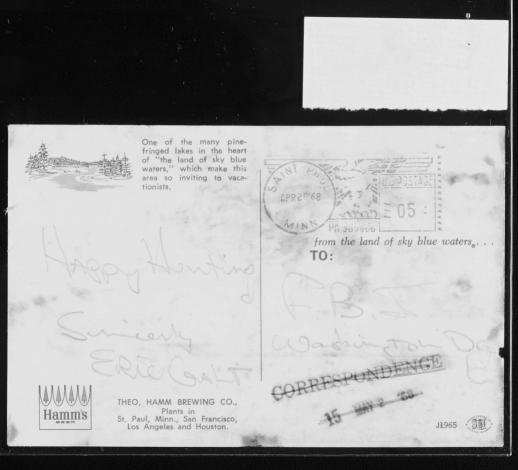
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The Attorney General

May 9, 1968

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JEL.

Reference is made to your call to Mr. DeLoach on May 4, 1968, wherein you indicated that a representative of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference from Atlanta, Georgia, had reported that one "Butch" Miller of Jackson, Georgia, might be involved in captioned case.

Pursuant to your request, Clim Davenport, Atlanta, Georgia, was interviewed on May 4, 1968, and advised that on April 29, 1968, an individual from Jackson, Georgia, who refused to identify himself to Mr. Davenport, contacted Mr. Davenport in Atlanta and confidentially advised he had gone to the Frank Miller grocery store in Jackson, Georgia, after Martin Luther King, Jr., was killed and Mr. Miller was very upset. Mr. Davenport's source stated that "Butch" Miller, Frank Miller's son, had in the past shot into the home of a civil rights worker. The source stated that Frank Miller reportedly sent "Butch" Miller to California after Martin Luther King, Jr., was killed.

Mr. Davenport stated that his source told him he had no information that Butch" Miller had a white Mustang or had abandoned a white Mustang in Atlanta, but it was his personal belief, not based on any fact, that "Butch" Miller might have had something to do with leaving the white Mustang in Atlanta as "Butch" Miller lived in Georgia. Mr. Davenport advised that he would make every effort to learn the identity of his source from Jackson, Georgia, and if successful, he would furnish this individual's identity to the FBI. If this individual is identified by Mr. Davenport, he will be interviewed.

Max Polk, Jackson Police Department, Jackson, Georgia, advised that Frank Miller operates Frank's Self-Service Grocery and Mr. Miller's son, "Butch" Miller, entered the United States Air Force on March 5, 1968, and has been stationed at Amarillo, Texas, since that time. Mr. Polk advised that "Butch" Miller has had no leave since being in the Air Force and his parents visited him in Amarillo, Texas, a couple of weeks ago.

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The Attorney General Mr. Polk stated that "Butch" Miller owns a GTX Plymouth automobile, and he has never heard of "Butch" Miller's name being connected in any way with a shooting into anyone's home. The files of our Atlanta Office contain no pertinent information identifiable with "Butch" Miller. This is for your information. 1 - The Deputy Attorney General 1 - Mr. Stephen J. Pollak **Assistant Attorney General** - 2 -2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

The Attorney General called Mr. DeLoach late Saturday night, 5/4/68, to indicate that a representative of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) had contacted him, from Atlanta, Georgia, to report that one "Butch" Miller of Jackson, Georgia, might be involved in the King case. The AG requested an interview with the SCLC member.

Interview reflects no information of any substance; in fact, "Butch" Miller has been in U.S. Air Force since 3/5/68, stationed at Amarillo, Texas, and has not had any annual leave since that date.

Memorandum being prepared to Attorney General.

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	Pe Houston airtel to the Director, 5/3/68, concerning toll calls made from Public Telephone Booths on Interstate Highway #10, 12/15 - 17/67.  On 5/7/68, Miss LINDA/PETERS, a freshman student at Cedar Crest College, (a girls' school), Allentown, Pa., advised SA THOMAS F. HANNIGAN, that she resides in Room #336, on the third floor, Curtis Hall, at the college.
	(It is noted that phone number 433-9403 is listed to Cedar Crest College, Curtis Hall, third floor, Allentown, Pa.)
	PETERS advised that her boy friend, GEORGE VOLLMANN, a freshman at LAMAR Technical Institute, Beaumont, Texas, had called her on 12/12/67, from Texas. She received the call on the dormitory phone on her floor. PETERS advised that she had no knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY. PETERS stated that her home address was 12 Feliek Terrace, Parlin, N.J.
	On 5/7/68, Mrs. DEAN STAIR, RD #3, Hanover, Pa., advised SA JOHN WILLIAM DAANE that telephone #637-8759 was listed to her husband at that address. She stated that about a week before Christmas, 1967, she had received a phone call from her foster brother, RALPH KUHN, in Beaumont, Texas. She stated that KUHN presently operated a used car lot in Beaumont.
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On the evening of 5/7/68, a 1964 Chevrolet with Michigan license DC8114 was found at the Atlanta Municipal Airport with a body inside the trunk. This body has been identified by the Identification Division through fingerprints as ROBERT JOSEPH DUNAWAY, FBI Number 841 310 C.

Enclosed herewith is a bullet removed from the body by the medical examiner on the morning of 5/8/68.

The Bureau is requested to examine this bullet and retain it for possible comparison with suspect guns.

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Two copies of the letterhead memorandum are furnished to Memphis.

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New Orleans, Louisiana May 8, 1968

James Earl Ray; Dr. Martin Luther King - Victim

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There are attached to this memorandum photographs of lames Earl Ray.

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The Department of State is requested to locate the individuals in Colombia, South America, and exhibit photographs of Ray to determine if these individuals recall Ray at the motel and if they can furnish any information as to his contacts or other activities of pertinence.



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Photographs on left taken 1960; other taken 1968

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