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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114)

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RE CHICAGO SUMMARY TEL MAY ONE LAST; ATLANTA TEL INSTANT.

RE JAMES E. BODKER

BODKER'S SISTER, BROTHER-IN-LAW AND MOTHER PLACE HIM IN CALUMET PARK, ILL., ON DATE OF KING MURDER. BODKER INTERVIEWED MAY TWO LAST. BEARS VERY LITTLE PHYSICAL RESEMBLANCE TO SUBJECT AND ELIMINATED. HE STATES RETURNED HERTZ CAR TO THEIR CHICAGO OFFICE.

IN VIEW OF FOREGOING, CHICAGO WILL NOT PROCESS HERTZ VEHICLE AS SET FORTH IN RE ATLANTA TEL. UAC NINE AM MAY SEVEN NEXT. WILL CONTACT HERTZ OFFICIALS TO RELEASE VEHICLE.

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RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU DATED MAY TEN LAST.
BILLY MACK WISDOM, FBI NO. SEVEN ZERO SEVEN
FIVE ZERO SIX D, TRANSFERRED TO THE U.S. PENITENTIARY,
ATLANTA, APRIL ELEVEN LAST.

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TO DIRECTOR /44-38861/, JACKSONVILLE AND PITTSBURGH
FROM SAVANNAH /44-1768/ 2P

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RE ATLANTA TEL MAY TEN LAST, NO COPY TO PITTSBURGH.

FOR INFO PITTSBURGH, ATLANTA ADVISED EXPANDED AIRLINE CHECK
 REVEALED DELTA AIRLINES RECORDS INDICATE A JOHN WILLARD MADE
 RESERVATION ON EAL APRIL ELEVEN LAST, CHANGED FLIGHT, AND FLEW
 APRIL TEN LAST ON EAL AND RETURNED ATLANTA APRIL FIFTEEN LAST ON
 DAL FLIGHT NO. TWENTY. LEFT CONTACT NUMBERS MIAMI FOUR FOUR
 EIGHT DASH ZERO TWO SEVEN SIX AND SAVANNAH TWO THREE THREE DASH
 FIVE THREE ONE, ROOM FIVE TWO ONE. LATTER NUMBER IS SAVANNAH
 DOWNTOWNER MOTEL. AT WHICH INQUIRY DEVELOPED JOHN O. WILLARD,
 WITHEROW RD., SEWICKLEY, PA., REPRESENTING W. W. NORTON, CO.,
 DRIVING CHEVROLET CAR NY LICENSE THREE EIGHT THREE TWO W X,
 CHECKED INTO ROOM FOUR TWO ONE ON MARCH TWENTYSIX LAST AND OUT
 MARCH TWENTYEIGHT LAST. CHECKED IN AGAIN INTO ROOM FIVE TWO ONE,
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SAME BACKGROUND INFO, WITH A BARRY L. BEAL, SEVEN ONE ZERO N. W. FOURTEENTH AVE., GAINSVILLE, FLA., ON MARCH TWENTYNINE LAST AND OUT ON MARCH THIRTYONE LAST.

PITTSBURGH RESOLVE IDENTITY OF WILLARD, WHICH IS ALSO ALIASES OF SUBJECT RAY. RESET LEAD FOR JACKSONVILLE TO INTERVIEW BEAL AT GAINESVILLE, FLA., IF NECESSARY.

MIAMI, MEMPHIS, ATLANTA AND JACKSONVILLE ADVISED BY MAIL.
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FBI ST LOUIS

7:40 PM 5-11-68 URGENT REM

TO: DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 2P

*Advise
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SUMMARY

RE RAY RELATIVES: NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.

RE JAMES W. BROWN, FELLOW PRISONER (BIRMINGHAM).

JOHN PAUL VELANTI REINTERVIEWED. REITERATED DOES NOT KNOW RAY. DENIED CONVERSATIONS WITH, PLANNING ANY ATLANTA ROBBERY, BEING QUESTIONED RE GANGSTER IN KC, RELATIVES BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, KNOWLEDGE OF COOLEY. ADMITTED RAN POKER GAME AND LOTTERY MSP, DEATH OF SON IN ACCIDENT SIXTYTWO, PLANNING OWN ESCAPE, AND FIGHT WITH PRISONER RE REMARK DERROGATORY TO KENNEDY AND CATHOLICISM. ALLEGED ROBBERY SENTENCE BUM RAP TO AVOID DISCLOSING OWN ACTUAL WHEREABOUTS AND ASSOCIATE AT TIME. NEW ORLEANS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW VELANTI'S WIFE AND BIRMINGHAM ADVISED BY SEPERATE TELETYPE.

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RE ROBERT WAYNE PHILLIPS: SL FILES SHOW CARL MURPHY, JR.,

PCI OF JACKSON SIXTYFIVE. JACKSON REQUESTED TO ADVISE CG BY

SEPERATE TEL.

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RE JUDGE JOHN C. CASEY: BASED ON INFO AVAILABLE TO SL, SL
INCLINED TO FAVOR SECOND METHOD SUGGESTED BY CASEY OF HANDLING
RAY MOTION BY PUBLIC COURT ORDER TO APPEAR AND PROSECUTE MOTION
OR SUFFER ITS DISMISSAL, AS BUREAU SHOULD NOT BE IN POSITION OF
FAILING TO EXPLOIT FULLY EVEN REMOTE POSSIBILITY OF LOCATING RAY.
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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), CHARLOTTE, AND RICHMOND
FROM KNOXVILLE (44-696)

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RE EL PASO TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, AND KNOXVILLE MAY
TEN LAST, AIR MAIL COPIES OF WHICH FURNISHED RICHMOND AND
CHARLOTTE BY EL PASO.

INVESTIGATION BRISTOL, TENN., REVEALS DANIEL COLLEY
NOT SON OF ONLY COLLEY FAMILY LISTED IN BRISTOL, TENN., OR
VA., WITH CREDIT BUREAU OR IN CURRENT CITY AND TELEPHONE
DIRECTORIES. CREDIT BUREAU HAD INQUIRY JAN. SIXTYSIX FROM A
BRISTOL LOAN CO. RE DANIEL M. COLLEY, ROUTE TWO, SALTVILLE,
VA., WHO WAS IN USAF. NEITHER CREDIT BUREAU NOR LOAN CO.
HAVE PARENTS NAME OR ADDRESS.

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BRISTOL, TENN. PD ARRESTED DANIEL MARVIN COLLEY, ROUTE
TWO, SALTVILLE, VA., ON MAY TWENTYTHREE SIXTYFOUR FOR
DRUNKENNESS AND RELEASED SAME DATE. DESCRIBED WHITE MALE,
BORN [REDACTED], SIX FT., ONE SIXTYFIVE LBS.,
BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, NO RELATIVES LISTED.

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CHARLOTTE, UPON RECEIPT RE TEL, INTERVIEW DANIEL C. COLLEY, POSSIBLY DANIEL MARVIN COLLEY, POPE AFB, FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., TELEPHONE THREE NINE FOUR DASH TWO SIX ONE SIX, TO DETERMINE NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARENTS AND CURRENT LOCATION OF MRS. BALDRIDGE. THEREAFTER HAVE MRS. BALDRIDGE INTERVIEWED AS SET FORTH IN RE TEL.

RICHMOND WITHHOLD INVESTIGATION SALTVILLE, VA. UNTIL CHARLOTTE ASCERTAINS ABOVE INFORMATION SINCE MRS. BALDRIDGE MAY BE LOCATED IN N. C. OR ELSEWHERE.

AIR MAIL COPIES FURNISHED EL PASO AND MEMPHIS
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CHARLOTTE, FROM RECEIPT RE TEL, INTERVIEW...
COLLY, ESPECIALLY FAMILY MARVIN COLLY, BOB...
... TELLS THAT HE HAS BEEN DARK FOR SIX...
... AND ADDRESS OF FATHER AND...
... THE FATHER HAVE BEEN...
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CIRCUIT JUDGE JOHN C. CASEY, SL TODAY ADVISED HE SENTENCED RAY TO TWENTY YEARS ON KROGER FIFTY NINE ARMED ROBBERY. RAY LOST APPEAL, SEE THREE FIFTY FOUR SOUTHWESTERN SECOND PAGE EIGHT FORTY. THEREAFTER FILED MOTION TO VACATE JUDGEMENT UNDER SECTION TWO SEVEN POINT TWO SIX MO. RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE AUGUST FOUR SIXTYSIX ALLEGING IMPROPER INTRODUCTION OF SIGNED STATEMENT, FAILURE TO AFFORD SANITY HEARING, FAULTY JURY INSTRUCTIONS, PERJURED STATE TESTIMONY AND FAILURE TO FURNISH ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE OF LAWYER IN VARIOUS STAGES OF TRIAL AND APPEAL.

MOTION OVERRULED. MISSOURI SUPREME COURT REVERSED ON APRIL TWELVE AND ORDERED RESTORED TO DOCKET JUNE FIFTEEN SIXTY SEVEN, BUT MATTER ACTUALLY BECAME ACADEMIC DUE TO RAY ESCAPE.

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CASEY, NOT AWARE OF ESCAPE UNTIL FAIRLY RECENTLY, CONFIRMED BY CALL TO WARDEN. COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY JOHN D. SCHNEIDER FILED REPORT MAY ONE SIXTYEIGHT THAT SUBJECT ESCAPED AND NO ACTION POSSIBLE. SUMMARY OF SAME PUBLISHED IN DAILY RECORD MAY EIGHT ~~LAST NOT YET~~ PICKED UP BY NEWS MEDIA. CIRCUIT ATTORNEY HAS TELE MAY 14 1968

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FBI CHICAGO

1150 AM URGENT 5/11/68 APK

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ST. LOUIS AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 1P

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RE: JERRY WILLIAM RAY.

JERRY RECONTACTED THIS DATE ADVISED THAT HE HAD DEVELOPED NO ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS DURING VISIT TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. HAS RETURNED TO WORK AT SPORTSMANS COUNTRY CLUB, NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS AND IS NOW RESIDING AT THREE ONE FOUR WISCONSIN AVENUE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS. ARRANGEMENTS FOR LIVING AWAY FROM EMPLOYMENT MADE BY CLUB MANAGER IN CONJUNCTION WITH CHICAGO OFFICE.

RAY WILL BE EXTENSIVELY REINTERVIEWED NINE AM MAY TWELVE, NEXT.

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MOTION TO DISMISS SUBJECTS MOTION ON GROUNDS POST CONVICTION
REMEDY IN ABOVE SECTION NOT AVAILABLE TO PERSON NOT IN CUSTODY.

CASEY BELIEVES RAY WOULD HAVE EXCELLENT CHANCE
OF VACATING ORIGINAL JUDGEMENT AND SENTENCE, UNDER
MIRANDA AND SIMILAR DECISIONS.

CASEY BELIEVES TWO COURSES OPEN: FIRST, TO
SUMMARILLY SUSTAIN STATE MOTION AND ORDER DISMISSED WITHOUT
PREJUDICE, BASED ON STATE VS CARTER ELEVEN SOUTHWESTERN PAGE NINE
SEVEN NINE, WHICH IN HIS ESTIMATION WOULD NOT ATTRACT INTEREST
OF PRESS AND RESULT IN LITTLE IF ANY PUBLICITY; SECOND, TO ENTER
AN ORDER PUBLICALLY NOTIFYING RAY THAT UNLESS HE GIVES SELF UP AND
PROSECUTES MOTION BY JUNE THIRD IT WILL BE DISMISSED.

PREFERS SECOND METHOD DUE TO PROBABILITY THAT IF
SUBJECT IS ALIVE AND RECOGNIZES POSSIBILITY OF GAINING
FREEDOM ON ARMED ROBBERY SENTENCE, HE MAY FEEL HE CAN
BEAT KING CHARGE BEFORE A SOUTHERN JURY, AND GIVE
SELF UP.

CASEY DESIRED TO BRING MATTER TO ATTENTION OF BUREAU TO
BE SURE NEITHER ACTION WOULD PREJUDICE INVESTIGATION THIS
CASE, AND LEARN WHICH, OF EITHER METHOD MIGHT BE DEEMED MOST
ADVANTAGEOUS TO BUREAU INTEREST.

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BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ANY OBSERVATIONS IT MAY
HAVE ON MATTER BY MAY THIRTEEN NEXT FOR CONFIDENTIAL TRANSMITTAL TO
CASEY.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: *[Handwritten initials]* SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles 5/7/68.

Re BETTY SPARKS - Complainant

For information Birmingham referenced Bureau airtel included a letter from BETTY SPARKS, Fontana, California, in which she stated that an old man, who has second sight, told her the man who killed Dr. KING was still in Memphis, Tennessee, within three blocks of the murder cite, that his name is HAYES, and that he had a slight limp in his right leg.

BETTY SPARKS, 13128 Whittram Avenue, Fontana, California, advised SA JACK E. DE VANE, 5/9/68, that within three or four days after Dr. KING was murdered she had attended a second hand auction at Chino, California. While there, she met an old man, identity, address, and present location unknown, who told her in conversation regarding the KING murder that he had had a vision shortly thereafter and in his vision saw the man within three blocks of the place of the murder. Further the nam had a slight limp in his right leg and was going by the name of HAYES.

Mrs. SPARKS stated she had not reported this until 5/1/68, when she had directed a letter to the Bureau setting forth these facts. She said that she would have no way of identifying the old man, whom she had talked with, whom she described as being approximately 80 years of and quite feeble.

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- 1 - Birmingham (Info)
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Approved: C.C. Bishop
Special Agent in Charge
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MEMPHIS IS BEING CONSIDERED AS ONE OF THE MOST
IMPORTANT AREAS OF THE COUNTRY FROM THE POINT OF VIEW
OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS STRUGGLE. THE CITY HAS BEEN THE
SCENE OF MANY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE
PAST FEW YEARS. THE CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERSHIP HAS
BEEN ACTIVE IN THE CITY AND HAS BEEN THE CENTER
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TO DIRECTOR (100-)

FROM MEMPHIS (100-)

RE: CIVIL RIGHTS
MEMPHIS (100-)

DATE: MAY 14 1968

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Date: 5/11/68

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

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

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Re Bureau airtel to Charlotte dated 5/9/68,
regarding JAMES H. WILLIAMS - Complainant.

Results of investigation conducted by Charlotte
pursuant to complaint made by JAMES H. WILLIAMS were set
out in Charlotte airtel to the Director dated 4/23/68.
For the assistance of the Bureau, three Xerox copies of
this airtel are enclosed herewith.

C. C. - Bishop

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- 2 - Charlotte
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Special Agent in Charge

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE: [Illegible]

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4/23/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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3 - Bureau
② - Charlotte

CFW:cbw
(5) *cbw*

44-38861-3402

ENCLOSURE

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Insert being prepared and will be submitted to Memphis.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 5/9/68

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

Re Memphis teletype to Atlanta, et al., 5/8/68.

LAURA WINGFIELD, Travel Associates, Pascagoula, Miss., advised ticket number 396-718-957, was issued to JACK WALTON, 3706 Forrest St., South Burnaby, British Columbia, telephone 433-8319, on 4/5/68.

She said WALTON was a Canadian shipyard employee who came to Pascagoula on 2/6/68, as a temporary employee of Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation and that he purchased above ticket to return home.

WALTER POL, Security Officer, Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation, advised that JACK WALTON, a Canadian employee of this company, resigned on 4/5/68, to return to Canada.

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- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - Memphis
- 2 - Atlanta
- 2 - Jackson

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Date: 5/10/68

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
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Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Atlanta teletype to Director, Memphis, Kansas City and Pittsburgh, 5/9/68.

Mr. MARVIN W. HEEREN, 10606 Westbrooke Drive, Shawnee Mission, Kansas, was interviewed this date and was eliminated as a suspect in this matter.

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C. C. - Bishop

EX 10T
REC 13

44-38861-3704

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- 2 - Kansas City
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Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TO: SAC
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK (44-100) 5

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

RE: [Illegible]

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1 - Mr. Rosen (Mr. Long Room 2260)
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Mortimer

Laboratory Transmittal Form
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)**

Date: **May 13, 1968**

MURKIN
Re: **CR**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Jaw

OO; Memphis

FBI File No. **44-38861**
Lab. No. **D-562868 JK**

Examination requested by: **Los Angeles**
Reference: **Airtel 5/8/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

A separate report is being furnished on the latent fingerprint examination and the disposition of Q335.

This report supplements and confirms Bureau teletype to Los Angeles dated 5/10/68, airmail copy to Memphis.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2-Memphis (44-1987) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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**REPORT
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To **FBI, Los Angeles (44-1574)**

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FBI File No. **44-38861**

Lab. No. **D-562868 JK**

Re **MURKIN
CR**

Specimens received **5/10/68**

**Q335 One-page handwritten letter beginning "Dear sirs,
Please send in plain envelope the list..." and
ending "...any list covering S.F. Bay Area."**

Result of examination:

**It was concluded that the questioned writing
on Q335 was not prepared by JAMES EARL RAY, FBI#405942G.**

**Q335 has been photographed and is returned to
Los Angeles separately.**

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

F B I

Date: 5/10/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-1893) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

Re Houston airtel to Bureau, 5/3/68, re telephone calls made from Interstate 10, Houston Division, 12/15-17/67.

Telephone # 614-551-2363 determined through check of the telephone directory of the Bartlett, Ohio area to be listed to MYRTLE MYERS, Star Route, Vincent, Ohio.

Mrs. MYRTLE MYERS, Star Route, Vincent, Ohio, advised SA MACK O. ELLIS, 5/9/68, that the telephone call made on 12/16/67 from telephone # 453-9015, Houston, Texas, to her number was made by LORETTA KING, estranged wife of her son, PAUL KING. Mrs. KING has made a number of calls from Houston, Texas and other southern cities during the past several months, the last being from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida area.

Mrs. KING ran away from home, leaving 3 small children behind.

Mrs. MYERS advised that the telephone call was definitely not made by JAMES EARL RAY.

- 3-Bureau
- 2-Memphis (44-1987)
- 2-Houston (44-1509)
- 2-Cincinnati

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Q. B. BISHOP
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Signature
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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-4341)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (157-320) (P)

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
MURKIN

On May 10, 1968, Memphis Office received information that a certain individual had been in contact with a person who is known to be active in the Memphis area. This person is known to have been in contact with the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The individual in question is known to have been in contact with the late Dr. King, Jr. on May 6, 1968, at Memphis, Tennessee. The individual in question is known to have been in contact with the late Dr. King, Jr. on May 6, 1968, at Memphis, Tennessee. The individual in question is known to have been in contact with the late Dr. King, Jr. on May 6, 1968, at Memphis, Tennessee.

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END
MEMPHIS (157-320)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-4341) (P)

CC: MEMPHIS (157-320)

WVW:Y

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5-10-68

Airtel

REC 13

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

From: Director, FBI (44-38861) 3/7/68

MURKIN

Re Philadelphia airtel 5-6-68, naming John J. O'Donnell, Navy service #2443808, for elimination purposes with the latent fingerprints previously reported of value on a gin bottle.

One of the latent fingerprints previously reported on the gin bottle is identical with the right ring fingerprint of O'Donnell. The three remaining latent fingerprints on this bottle are not identical with the fingerprints of O'Donnell.

1 - Mr. Rosen

GJB:mmm
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Date: 5/6/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

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

FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (44-1368)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Philadelphia airtel to Bureau, 4/26/68, and Bureau airtel to Philadelphia, 5/2/68.

Mr. JOHN J. O'DONNELL, 47 North 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., today advised that he served in the U. S. Navy, where he was fingerprinted and had U. S. Navy Serial Number 2443808. He advised he was born [redacted] at Philadelphia, Pa.

The Identification Division is requested to compare the fingerprints of O'DONNELL from his fingerprints taken while he was in the U. S. Navy with the latent fingerprints developed from the gin bottle.

In view of O'DONNELL having been fingerprinted while in the U. S. Navy, Philadelphia, at this time, is not fingerprinting O'DONNELL.

Information copy furnished Memphis.

- 3 - Bureau (44-38861)
- 1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)
- 1 - Philadelphia (44-1368)

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TO: SAC, ...

FROM: SAC, ... (44-1001)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Gale *Jmm*

DATE: 5/12/68

FROM : W. V. Cleveland *WVC*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Info
MC
At 8:15, 5/11/68, an individual who identified himself as Clovis Zirnstein, 871 West 5th Avenue, Emporia, Kansas, telephone number DI-2-8587, telephonically contacted the Bureau and spoke to SA Orvis J. Auerswald, on duty in the Special Investigative Division. Mr. Zirnstein, who stated he is an engineer for the Santa Fe Railroad, spoke as though he may have been drinking.

Mr. Zirnstein advised that on Sunday, 4/28/68, while driving north on Highway 71, he picked up a hitchhiker near Carthage, Missouri, and he now feels this individual could be identical with James Earl Ray. He said the hitchhiker was well dressed, had brown hair, wore a hat, and carried a very heavy suitcase. He described him as 5'9" or 5'10", 175 or 180 pounds, and in good physical condition. He furnished his name to Mr. Zirnstein as Bill Magee and said he was 47 years of age, having been born in Fort Scott, Kansas, where his mother presently resides. He also mentioned that his brother, Charles Magee, "owned half the town" of Fort Scott, Kansas.

Mr. Zirnstein advised that the hitchhiker said he had been in Germany during World War II and stated he was a karate expert. He told Mr. Zirnstein that he was employed by the Midwest Construction Company, Holton, Kansas, as a laborer on highway jobs, and also said he was an electrician and carpenter. He said his father's name was also Charles Magee.

Mr. Zirnstein said the hitchhiker did not resemble the photographs he had seen of James Earl Ray; however, he feels he could have disguised himself. He also mentioned that the hitchhiker appeared to be about 47 years old as he claimed. He stated the hitchhiker rode with him to Fort Scott, Kansas, and insisted at being let out at a railroad crossing there, which he said was two blocks from his mother's home, although

- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Long
Room 2260

- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
- 1 - Mr. Auerswald

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RECEIVED-CLEVELAND

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Memorandum to Mr. Gale
Re: MURKIN

Mr. Zirnstein offered to drive him to her home. He advised that the hitchhiker mentioned once during the ride that Dr. Martin Luther King got what he deserved, but he said nothing to indicate he was in any way involved in the assassination. He told Mr. Zirnstein he had not had much luck hitchhiking and said he had ridden with a truck driver from Springfield, Missouri, to Carthage, Missouri.

Bureau files contain no record of the caller and nothing which could be identified with Bill Magee or Charles Magee, based on the information he furnished.

ACTION:

At 9:40 p.m., 5/11/68, the information received from Mr. Zirnstein was telephonically furnished to SAC Karl W. Dissly of the Kansas City Office. He advised that Clovis Zirnstein will be promptly interviewed and thereafter investigation will be conducted to determine whether or not the individual mentioned by him is identical with Ray.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'JAY ROSE', is written in a cursive style across the lower middle of the page.

5/14/68

Airtel

1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long

To: SAC, St. Louis (44-775)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

ReSLtel 5/13/68.

For the information of St. Louis the records of the Chicago "Tribune" and Bureau's bank robbery files have been reviewed concerning allegation of Ray involved in a \$50,000 southern bank robbery. No reference has been located to this robbery as described by John Gawron.

Armed and dangerous.

1 - SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

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REC 13

44-38861-3409

NOTE: John Gawron, former common law husband of Ray's mother, who is on verge of senility, previously alleged Ray was involved in a \$50,000 southern bank robbery which was reported in the Chicago "Tribune" on or about 6/23-24/67. The Chicago "Tribune" and Bureau bank robbery files have been reviewed without finding any reference to a robbery such as Gawron described. St. Louis being advised of results thereof.

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5-14-68

Airtel

1 - Mr. Hudson

To: SAC, Jackson

From: Director, FBI

MURKIN

ReMErep dated 5-8-68, of SA John W. Bauer, entitled "Unsub; Truck Cafe, Walls, Mississippi, 4-27-68; Rev. James M. Roach - Victim, Rev. Saxenia V. Pulliam - Victim, PA; CRA - 1964."

Page five of rerep contains information in the statement furnished by Rev. Roach that a white man who was sitting in back of the victims said "we could kill you all just like we did Martin Luther King." Jackson conduct sufficient investigation in an effort to identify the individual so that he may be eliminated or established as a suspect or co-conspirator.

1 - Memphis

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19 MAY 14 1968

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

REC-74

44-38861-3111

May 3, 1968

Mrs. ~~Mattie Sue~~ Branch
2958 Ocean View Boulevard
San Diego, California 92113

John
CC Moore
D. [unclear]

Dear Madam:

Your letter of April 27th has been received.

With respect to your comments concerning the investigation of the slaying of Martin Luther King, you may be assured that this Bureau will make every effort to carry out this investigation with the highest degree of thoroughness and dispatch.

You may also wish to know that the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and prosecutive action, with regard to violations of Federal laws, is within the province of the Attorney General.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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REC-D BISHOP

MAY 6 10 50 AM '68

REC'D SULLIVAN
F B I JUSTICE

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REC'D-COMM & TOURS

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2958 Ocean View Blvd
San Diego Calif
April 27, 1968

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

Sirs:

Until resently I have had a great deal of respect for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I have often said that whe the FBI put a net out for any one he could stop running for surely he was about to be caught.

I still think you are a very efficent agency, but since you intered the search for the person who killed Dr. Martin Luther King, I have lost all respect for you.

I don't believe you are looking for the real murderer. I think you're looking for a patsy -- like Oswald.

Sooner or later you'll come up with you perfect "fall guy."

I predict it will be someone who has a perfect alibi for Nov. 22, 1963 -- most likely someone who was in prison at that time. I predict further that he will be mentally retarded and either caught or wanted for some other crime. That way he will probably never be brought to trial for the murder of Dr. King.

And so while the FBI are playing Hide and Go Seek with someone who by now could be in Egypt, there is someone who conspires to get rid of persons whose performance they do not like, by shooting them in the head. This vicious killer is still running loose.

I would remind you that the Monster nearly always destroys its Maker. I would remind you further that sooner or later the FBI will turn in a performance they do not like and they will proceed to get rid of you.

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