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FBI ST LOUIS 1110PM URGENT 5-14-68 JLS TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND ATLANTA FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE AT SUMMARY MAY THIRTEEN. LAST.

ONLY INFO KNOWN TO SL RE ALLEGED ROBBERY OF OIL CO. IN ATLANTA BY RAY AND JOHN PAUL VELANTI IS BASED ON BIRMINGHAM INTERVIEW OF EX-CON JAMES W. BROWN, OF DOUBTFUL CREDIBILITY. AS SET FORTH IN BH TEL MAY TEN LAST, ONE FIVE SEVEN PM, OF WHICH ATLANTA RECEIVED COPY.

VELANTI HAS DENIED ASSOCIATION WITH RAY. VELANTI STATES SEN-TENCED TWENTY YEARS ON FEB. ELEVEN, FIFTYNINE, FOR ARMED ROBBERY. RECEIVED MSP, FEB. THIRTEEN, SIXTY, TRANSFERRED TO MOBERLY, MO., PRISON. DEC. SIXTYFOUR. AND PAROLED MARCH TWENTYONE. SIXTYSEVEN.

NOTE RAY ARRESTED SL, OCTOBER, FIFTYNINE, FOR ARMED ROBBERY. WOULD APPEAR ATLANTA OIL ROBBERY. IF OCCURRED. WAS EARLY

FIFTYNINE. OR PRIOR.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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Airtel 4/29/68

Reference:

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Remarks:

Memphis teletype 4/25/68 advised to discontinue further efforts to obtain laundry tags with the markings "20R-3;" therefore, no additional investigation should be conducted to secure tags with this marking from K215 through K226.

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Specimens received

4/30/68

Samples of laundry tapes obtained from twelve Thermo-Seal machines located in the State of South Carolina, further described as follows:

<u>s</u>	PECIMEN	SERIAL NUMBER	LAUNDRY
Totson	K215	33487	Post Laundry, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island
	K216	33486	11
	K217	32571	Deluxe Cleaners and Laundry, West Columbia
	K218	34424	Navy Exchange Laundry, U.S. Naval Station, Charleston
	K 21 9	34422	11
	K220	31837	Doughty Dry Cleaners, Inc. Columbia
	K221	31962	Lane's Dry Cleaners and Laundry, Charleston
	K222	3236 <u>3</u>	Georgetown Laundry, Georgetown
	к223	32658	Port City Laundry and Cleaners, Charleston
	K224	33643	Newberry Steam Laundry, Newberry
	K225	32436	White's Cleaners, Shaw AFB
		34096	Summerville White Swan Laundry, Summerville
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Result of examination:

It was concluded that the laundry tags appearing on Q69 and Q70 were not prepared with any of the machines used in the preparation of K215 through K226. These known samples are not adequate for comparison with other laundry tags appearing on Q97 and Q99.

The submitted items have been retained.

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TELETYPE

1118PM URGENT 5-14-68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, (KANSAS CITY - AIRMAIL)

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE KC TEL THIS DATE.

LEY AND MILTON

Mr. Trotter
Tele Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

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RE: FELLOW PRISONERS, MELVIN OLIVER GRIDLEY AND MILTON ZAVALCOFSKI

MELVIN OLIVER GRIDLEY, MISSOURI TRAINING CENTER FOR MEN NUMBER

ZERO TWO FIVE ZERO THREE AND MILTON ZAVALCOFSKI (MTCM) NO. ZERO ONE SIX

FIVE EIGHT, INTERVIEWED MOBERLY MO., THIS DATE. GRIDLEY IN CUSTODY

JEFFERSON CITY, FOURTWENTYTHREE SIXTY ON CHARGE OF BURGLARY UNTIL TRANS

FERRED TO MOBERLY SEVEN SIXTYSEVEN. HE WAS"HALL TENDER" IN J HALL

WHEN RAY HID IN PENITENTIARY FOR ONE WEEK IN SIXTYFOUR OR SIXTYFIVE.

RAY WORKED UNDER GRIDLEY IN RECREATION SECTION. HE WAS CLOSE MOUTH,

HAD FEW FRIENDS AND DIDN'T TALK MUCH TO ANYONE. GRIDLEY LOST CONTACT

WITH RAY IN SIXTYFIVE OR SIXTYSIX WHEN RAY PLACE IN SOLITARY CONFINE
MENT.

GRIDLEY HAS NO INFORMATION REGARDING RAY OR COOLEY.

ZAVALCOFSKI SERVING TWENTY YEARS FOR ARMED ROBBERY. SENTENCED

BEGAIN ELEVEN NINE SIXTY. HE HAS SERVED ALL HIS TIME FROM THEN UNTIL

FOUR EIGHT SIXTY EIGHT WHEN HE TRANSFERRED TO MOBERLY. KNEW WHO

RAY WAS AS AN INMATE. HE REMEMBERS HIM HIDING IN PENITENTIARY AND

REMEMBERS HIS ESCAPE. SOME ONE MENTIONED HE ALSO WORKED 21 MARELS 4968 ON

SECTION AT JEFFERSON CITY AFTER RAY'S PICTURE HAD BEEN ON T. V. HE

HAS NO INFORMATION REGARDING RAY OR COOLEY.

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