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Character:

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SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)(P)

SUBJECT:

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Enclosed for the FBI Lab is one registration card of the Woodland Motor Court in name RICHARD BAMC GINNIS

Local Thomasville, Georgia tourist court operator HARRY G. WICK initially contacted Thomasville Resident Agency 4/15/68, and advised a suspicious white male checked into his tourist court, the Woodland Motor Court, Thomasville, on 4/5/68 about 1:00 A.M. and departed following morning. White male driving 1966 white Ford Mustang bearing 1967 or 1968 Texas license PBG-848. White male described as about 32 years of age; 5:8", 160 pounds; muscular build and broad shoulders; sandy-colored hair. Subject's personal belongings only consisted of shaving kit and he left the following morning wearing the same clothes worn at time of entry. During registration this individual was very nervous and in attempting to reach assigned cabin, drove over sidewalk of motor court. Registrant did not appear to have been drinking, however.

WICK was subsequently shown Wanted Flyer of JAMES EARL RAY. WICK advised photo closely resembles suspicious person but is certain registrant had light-colored, sandy hair and that this was his natural-colored hair inasmuch as approximately one day's growth of beard was the same color.

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WICK made available registration card completed by above individual at time of registration 4/5/68, and advised that all handwriting appearing on this card is that of registrant's, with exception of letters "MUS" appearing above make of car and notations at bottom of card reflecting charges.

The FBI Lab is requested to develop any latent impressions of value on enclosed card and compare with known prints of JAMES EARL RAY. Lab is also requested to examine handwriting appearing on this card in effort to determine if identical with RAY's.

FBI

Date: 5/8/68 Transmit the following in _____ (Type in plaintext or code) AIRTEL (Priority) DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)(P) SUBJECT: MURKIN (OO: MEMPHIS) Re Dallas airtel to Bureau, 5/1/68, regarding alleged offer of \$100,000 by White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (WKKKK), Jackson, Miss., to anyone who kills MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR. Enclosed for Jacksonville are two copies each of Dallas airtel to Bureau, 6/6/67, Kansas City airtel to Bureau, 7/21/67 and Dallas airtel to Bureau, 5/1/68. On 5/8/68, Mr. J. B. MC WHORTER, Spencer International Press, 2335 Brannen Road, Atlanta, Ga., advised DONALD JAMES MISSEM is no longer employed by this company, having left approximately December, 1967, to go to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he was employed by the Americana Encyclopedia Co. MC WHORTER stated he recently learned that MISSEM is working in Panama City, Fla., selling a safety device which operates 3)_ Bureau I - Jackson (Info) 2 - Jacksonville (Enc. 6) 2 - Memphis (44-1987)2 - Atlanta 2 MAY 9 1968 JTB: lcc (10)C. C. Bishop Per _

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as a gyroscope. He stated the name of the unit is the Auto Safety Control and the company office is located in Reno, Nevada. MC WHORTER stated HAROLD B. FITZGERALD is presently located with the Spencer International Press at 3801 Kirbey Drive, Houston, Texas.

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At Panama City, Florida:

Will locate DONALD JAMES MISSEN and interview for any information he may have obtained re alleged offer to kill KIMG since MISSEN's release from jail on 6/19/67. For info Jacksonville, the Jackson Office in July, 1967, advised the WKKKK were in bad financial straights, having a difficult time raising enough money to defend members of this erginization after their arrest.

Information copy furnished Jackson inasmuch as present investigation being conducted that Division.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM:

SAC, TAMPA (157-3231)

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(OO:ME)

Re IO #4182 and WF #442-A concerning JAMES EARL RAY who is being sought in connection with captioned matter.

SA ROBERT C. BALL, who is a fingerprint expert, has furnished the following information which is being passed on to Tampa Agents for their confidential use should they have occasion to check out any individual suspected to be RAY:

SA BALL has examined the above IO and determined the following is an interpretation of the fingerprint patterns and the ridge counts and/or whorl tracings, (the ridge counts are close to the probable actual counts in Bureau files).

FINGER	PATTERN TYPE	WHORL TRACING
#1 Right Thumb #2 Right Index #3 Right Middle #4 Right Ring #5 Right Little #6 Left Thumb	Ulnar Loop Ulnar Loop Ulnar Loop Central Pocket Loop Whorl Ulnar Loop Ulnar Loop	Ridge Count 16 Ridge Count 13 Ridge Count 11 Outer Tracing Ridge Count 12 Ridge Count 12

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#8	Left	Middle	Ulnar Loop	Ridge Count 13 - /	
#9	Left	Ring	Central Pocket Loop	Whorl Inner Tracing	
#10	Left	Little	Ulnar Loop	Ridge Count 16 - 17	

It should be noted the Primary of 9/4 indicates the location of the whorl patterns which can only be in fingers #4, #7 and #9. Further noted should be made that the best appearing fingerprint, for quick identification purposes, is that of finger #7. However, it should be further noted any examination of the fingers of a suspect will result in a reverse visual image of the impression.

It is suggested the Bureau may desire to suggest that other field offices circulate similar information to their agents which has been done in Tampa.

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The anonymous male stated that he had been advised that during a Saturday night approximately three weeks ago his sources were at the Landoldt Restaurant, Geneva, Switzerland, where they observed an American male enter with a man and woman who appeared to be Swiss. The American was well dressed and had a Midwestern accent. He had the sharp nose and cleft chin as depicted in the photographs of James Earl Ray. His other physical characteristics matched those of Ray. Although he was well dressed, he was observed to use crude language which was mixed with vulgarities. The woman in the group was a blond, apparently dyed hair, and appeared to be in her forties. She was known to the head waiter of the restuarant and kissed him when she left with the above two men.

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The conversation of the three individuals was loud and the American talked frequently concerning sex matters and expressed an interest in obtaining the services of a prostitute. The woman offered to furnish him a transvestite, but he stated he wished a female.

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It is requested that efforts be made to determine whether the American mentioned above is identical with James Earl Ray.



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The conversation of the three individuals was loud and the American talked frequently concerning sex matters and expressed an interest in obtaining the services of a prostitute. The woman offered to furnish him a transvestite, but he stated he wished a female.

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The people in the restaurant seemed to make a great deal of effort to please the American. He was overheard ordering several expensive and exotic foods, some of which the restaurant sent out for. The impression was gained, however, that the people in the restaurant knew nothing of the American's background.

It is requested that efforts be made to determine whether the American mentioned above is identical with James Earl Ray.

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	Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau 5/14/68, setting forth a letter written by Mrs. ALMENA LOMAX, of Los Angeles, California, who published the Tuskegee Tribune in Tuskegee, Alabama, 1964 and 1965. She suggested the possibility that some of the people who subscribed to the Tuskegee Tribune during that time might have been implicated in the murder of Dr. KING.
	Mobile files reflect a LHM submitted to the Bureau 11/12/64, reflecting that LOMAX moved to Tuskegee, Alabama, in late 1964, and published the Tuskegee Tribune. It was set forth that Dr. JULIAN GILES, Director of the VA Hospital, Tuskegee, regarded her as a "mentally sick" person.
	In this same file Los Angeles LHM dated 1/18/65, IA file 100-51442, set forth that CS IA 3184-S advised on 1/14/65, that LOMAX was considered untrustworthy by most all the various Negro organizations and groups in the Los Angeles area, and none of them would give her financial backing. This source said that many people acquainted with her questioned her mental capacity.
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In view of the above information, and inasmuch as referenced airtel does not indicate any real reason for her statement that the persons named by her might bear checking out in the assassination of Dr. KING, UACB the persons set out for interview by the Mobile Division are not being interviewed regarding MURKIN.

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Mr. J. E. MC MAHON, Industrial Security Section, General Dynamics Corporation, Fort Worth, Texas, stated that is records reflect that RALEIGH D. STARK applied for a position at his plant 3/27/68. He was employed and entered on duty 4/22/68. He presently resides at 216 South Grant's Lane. His file reflects that STARK is married, no children, was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Box 665, Columbus, Georgia, and is a member of Georgia Police Officer's Association. His record reflects that he was in the Army from 1944 to 1967 and for most of this time was in the Military Police Unit. The file reflects his description as W/M, born 200 lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, scars - sharpnel wounds in left leg, discharged from Army 12/67, worked as a security guard for Security Engineers, 2201 Woodard Building, Birmingham, Alabama from 12/67 to 3/68, person to be notified in event of emergency - B. L. PATE, 8105 Tumbleweed Trail. Fort Worth, Texas.

Inasmuch as it appears STARK is not identical with JAMES EARL RAY, no further investigation is being conducted regarding STARK.

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No further investigation being conducted re this telephone call.

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To:

LEGAT, Mexico City - Enc. (4)

SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

From:

Director, FEI (44-38861)

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Reference is made to the receipt on 5-11-68, of fingerprints of an unknown deceased found on the beach in Acapulso, Mexico.

The submitted fingerprints are of no value for identification purposes.

On 5-13-68, the fingers of the body were examined by Fingerprint Examiner George J. Benebrake in Acaptice, and it was determined that this body could not be that of James Earl Ray, FEI 6408042G.

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This airtel confirms the verbal report made on

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The four cards bearing the submitted imgerprints are enclosed to LEGAT, Mexico City.

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	Mrs. WILSON stated that she was calling to let the FBI know that her husband had "calmed down" and was returning and would be available if needed.
	Unless advised to the contrary, Phoenix does not contemplate further interview with WILSON at this time in view of his apparent mental condition as reflected in his military record.
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The following investigation was conducted by SA PENRUD W. HARRIS:

AT PORT ARANSAS, TEXAS

On 5/17/68, TOMMY FISHER, Nueces County Deputy Sheriff, Port Aransas, advised as follows:

BEN RAY has resided in this area continuously for approximately one year. Since about September, 1967, ne has been employed as a bartender at the Malibu Room, Port Aransas.

BENNETT HAMER RAY was located on 5/17/00, at the Malibu Room and advised he receives mail at P. O. Box 677, Port Aransas. He displayed Uniformed Service Identification Card and other documents identifying him as RAY with photographs and right index fingerprint not identical with subject. Also, his fingerprints are not identical.

RAY is white male, born , Fayetteville, North Carolina, 5'8", 140 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair, served in U. S. Navy, 10/6/54, to 4/25/58, under Navy Sental #468-73-11, sear on left forearm wheretattoo removed, 3" sear over left eye, 1" sear under left eye, 1" sear right HIN SO of the SH property of the State of th

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Memorandum

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Mr. Rosen

FROM : C. L. McGyvan

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: May 18, 1968

1 - Mr. Rosen 1 - Mr. Malley

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Special Agent Joe C. Hester, Memphis Extra-Duty Supervisor, telephonically advised, this date, that the Chief of Police (COP), Memphis, Tennessee, has received an anonymous letter dated 5-14-68, from Montreal, Canada. The letter is very poorly written and it is hard to make out the entire contents, but in essence mentions Doctor King. Further, that the anonymous writer has become acquainted with an individual of Irish decendant (no name given) and over a case of beer recently determined from this Irish individual (1) that he was once in jail in Missouri, (2) that he had been in the Merchant Marines, (3) that he was once a bartender, (4) that he was an alcoholic and supposedly being presently treated for alcoholism, (5) and that he has fallen in love with a girl in Montreal and spends money freely on her.

The anonymous writer wants this information to be kept in strict confidence and if the COP is interested and wants to get in touch with him, he should write to the Editor of the "Gazette - News in Brief," (presumably a Montreal newspaper) "attention G." Writer states he will watch the Gazette and if the mention "attention G" appears, he will send another letter to the COP with information and the COP can use his own follow-up.

The writer further states he is off work on Wednesday and Thursday each week and has a holiday from June 1-15, and states he might meet with the COP if he is interested.

This letter was signed "Code letter G."

The COP, Memphis, has misplaced the envelope which this letter came in.

ACTION: The Memphis Office was advised to send the letter to the Bureau by airtel this date.

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

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