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TO DIRECTOR (44-33861) & ST. LOUIS (44-775)

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE ST. LOUIS TEL TO BUREAU MAY SIXTEEN LAST AND LOS ANGELES TEL TO BUREAU SAME DATE.

RE PHONE CALL FROM GRAPEVINE TAVERN, ST. LOUIS, TO LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN SIX ONE DASH ZERO NINE ONE EIGHT ON MARCH FOUR LAST.

SUBSCRIBER TO ABOVE NUMBER IS CAROL SARACENO, FOUR THREE FIVE ZERO FARMDALE AVENUE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA. SACRACENO INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND ADVISED SHE RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM HER MOTHER IN ST. LOUIS MARCH FOUR LAST. SARACENO STATED HER MOTHER CALLS HER CONSTANTLY FROM ST. LOUIS AREA. SHE HAD HER TELEPHONE NUMBER CHANGED BECAUSE OF NUMEROUS COLLECT CALLS FROM HER MOTHER. SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHEREABOUTS OF MOTHER IN

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448PM URGENT 5/22/68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), KNOXVILLE (44-696), MEMPHIS (44-1987)
ATLANTA (44-2386) AND MOBILE (157-2@7)

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN.

RE PERSONAL REVIEW OF TICKETS FOR UAL FLIGHTS FROM ATLANTA APRIL FIVE TO TWELVE LAST.

ALL UAL FLIGHTS FROM ATLANTA ABOVE DATES COMPLETED.
FOLLOWING ARE ONLY TWO POSSIBILITIES DEVELOPED.

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TOUR AGENCY, INC., CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE.

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To: SACs, Buffalo

Chicago (44-1114) Kansas City (44-760)

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From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Subject Ray, under the name of Eric S. Galt, enrelled in a correspondence locks mithing course in July, 1967, and centimued correspondence in such course until the end of March, 1968. In view of subject's interest in such training and in view of his background, it is felt that he might endeavor to continue such training through correspondence courses. For your information only, the course in which subject was enrolled was conducted by the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey.

It has been determined that correspondence courses in locksmithing are offered by the following:

Belsaw Institute 315 Westport Road Kansas City, Missouri

Nelson-Hall 325 West Jackson Boulevard Chienge, Illinois

Lockmasters Pittsford, New York

38 Round Trail Drive

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Airtel to SACs, BU, CG, KC, SC RE: MURKIN

The records of the above named should be reviewed for any applications submitted on or after 4/1/68. The original application or a photographic copy thereof should be submitted to the Bureau for appropriate handwriting and/or typewriting examinations.

In addition, information has been received that a course in locks mithing is offered by the Universal School of Master Locks mithing, 1974 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, California, (P. Q. Box 4868). It is reported that this school requires their students to be in residence at the school and does not offer any correspondence courses. Sacramento Office should contact the school and ascertain if correspondence courses are offered. If such are offered, appropriate check should be made of applications received on or after 4/1/68. If correspondence courses are not offered, a check should be made regarding those individuals who are in residence to determine whether or not subject is among such group,

NOTE:

Information concerning the various schools was obtained by the Newark Office from Locksmithing Institute in Little Falls, New Jersey.

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FROM

W. D. Griffith

SUBJECT:

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The Bureau has received an anonymous religious greeting card the envelope of which bears the postmark Hoboken, New Jersey, and is dated May 17, 1968. Attached to the greeting card is a "Miraculous" religious medal and a message on this card implies that subject James Earl Ray could be located at an address in Memphis, Tennessee.

The handwriting and hand printing appearing on the envelope and greeting card were searched in the Anonymous Letter File but could not be identified with any prior submissions to this file, and no identifying features were noted on these two items which might indicate their immediate source.

The writings appearing on the envelope and greeting card were compared with the writings which have been submitted in connection with the MURKIN case but nothing of significance was noted.

The greeting card and envelope will be forwarded to the Latent Fingerprint Section for appropriate examination. PEC 3

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

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1 - Mr. Mohr

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Circuit Court Judge John C. Casey, St. Louis, Missouri, has advised our St. Louis Office he sentenced James Rerl Ray to twenty years in the penitentiary for armed robbery in 1959. James Earl Ray was serving this sentence when he escaped from Missouri State Penitentiary in April of 1967.

Judge Casey advised a motion to set aside this conviction was filed before Ray's escape and is still pending. He believes, in view of the recent Supremo Court decisions, Ray would stand a good chance of reversing his conviction, and he contemplates filing an order on May 24, 1968, for Ray to appear by June 3, 1968, or his action will be dismissed.

Judge Casey has asked this Bureau for advice as to whether he should delay this matter as he feels mblicity of his order would cause widespread disorder, Judge Casey is being told that this Bureau cannot advise him as to what course of action to take; but if he feels publicizing the order would cause disturbance, he should take necessary steps to alert law enforcement agencies after the order is entered and before it is publicized.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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NOTE:

This is to advise the Department in writing concerning the contemplated action of Judge John C. Casey of St. Louis.

Local Judge Casey, sentenced Ray to 20 years in 1959 for armed robbery. A motion to set aside the conviction was filed before Ray's excape and is still pending. Judge Casey believes in view of recent Supreme Court decisions, Ray would stand a good chance of reversing his conviction and contemplates filing order on 5/24/68, for Ray to appear by 6/3/68, or his action will be dismissed.

Judge Casey has asked Bureau advice as to whether he should delay until after Poor Peoples' Campaign as he feels publicity of his order could cause widespread disorder. Casey is being advised we cannot advise him but if he feels publicizing his order could cause disturbance he should take necessary steps to alert law enforcement agencies after his order is entered and before it is publicized.

FT-36 (Re	y. 5-22-64)	Mr. TolsonMr. DeLeach/Mr. MohrMr. BishopMr. Casper/Mr. CalighanMr. Capper/Mr. Capper	
		Date: 5/21/68 Mr. Felt Mr. Gale	
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fler	by RAY. prior add St. Louis	The St. Louis address 1727 South 11th Street is a dress of RAY's sister, Mrs. ALBERT (CAROL) PEPPER, s, Missouri. Several checks drawn against this account ble to CAROL RYAN, a name formerly used by Mrs. PEPPER.	
	and \$370	The afore-mentioned account was opened 3/9/59 and losed 7/20/59. Deposits therein ranged between \$10 and the largest balance on hand in the account at e was \$620 on 3/26/59.	~ ,
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ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

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Enclosed is original signature card of JAMES CARL O'CONNOR prepared about 3/9/59 for Manufacturer's Bank and Trust Company, St. Louis, Missouri, by individual opening checking account at that time.

The above-mentioned signature card of JAMES CARL O'CONNOR believed to be identical with JAMES EARL HAY shows the last known residence address of this individual to be 1727 South 11th Street, St. Louis, Missouri. The signature "James Carl O'Connor" is believed to have been placed on the signature card by this individual. None of the other handwriting appearing on the card is believed to have been written by RAY. The St. Louis address 1727 South 11th Street is a prior address of RAY's sister, Mrs. ALBERT (CAROL) PEPPER, St. Louis, Missouri. Several checks drawn against this account are payable to CAROL RYAN, a name formerly used by Mrs. PEPPER.

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	"I didn't mean to kill Rev. LUTHER KING. The shoot him in the leg and when he stuped over I accident	al
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123 123	N. E. ZACHARY, Homicide Bureau, Memphis Police Departments stated he had received it today from the Mayor's Office	
66 400	Several names written in ink on the back of the envelopenames that were written by someone in the Mayor's Office	
22	have no connection with this letter. 14-38861	- 385
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3	Office; however, no investigation is being requested of until such time as the Bureau has compared the handwrit	
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Enclosed for the Bureau are the originals of an envolong and letter perturked may 1, 1988, at Dallas, Texas, addresse: "Br. ISES, Wayor of Temphis, Merphis, Tennessee". This letter reads as follows:

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This letter was made available today by Engersty N. F. ZACERY, Homicide Sureau, Temphis Polico Departheat www.stated he had received it today from the Mayor's Office. Reveral names written in ink on the back of the envelope are names that were written by someone in the Mayor's Office and have no connection with this letter.

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To:

SACE, Jacksonville

Little Rock (157-1215)

Tampa

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Subject as James Earl Ray and his associate Walter Terry Rife were arrested on March 23, 1965, by the Missouri State Highway Patrol at Hannibal, Missouri, and were charged with cashing stolen U. S. Postal Money Orders. Ray and Rife were subsequently incarcerated at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas on these charges.

Review of these money orders indicates they were all cashed during the month of March, 1955, and included in the cities where they were cashed are Hot Springs, Arkansas; St. Petersburg, Daytona Beach, Tampa and Tallahassee, Florida.

The Little Rock Office at Hot Springs; the Tampa Office at St. Petersburg and Tampa; and Jacksonville Office at Daytona Beach and Tallahassee bear in mind that subject, as a result of cashing these stolen U. S. Postal Money Orders, is somewhat acquainted with these places and it is possible that subject could return to same.

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NOTE:

Review of records indicates that subject and his associate Walter Terry Rife were arrested 3/23/55 by Missouri State Highway Patrol at Hannibal, Missouri and were charged with cashing stolen U. S. Postal Money Orders. They were subsequently incarcerated on these charges in the Federal Penitentiary at Levenworth, Kansas. The Tampa, Little Rock and Jacksonville Offices are being made aware of the fact that these stolen money orders were cashed at cities within their offices, and it is possible that subject may return there in view of his knowledge of these cities.

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UNITED STATES GOVER' 'ENT

Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 5/21/68

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SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

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Re Bureau letter 5/17/68.

On 5/20/68, THOMAS H. BROUGHTON, Editor, "Master Barber and Beautician" magazine, 219 Greenich Road, Charlotte, North Carolina, was furnished a glossy photograph of JAMES EARI RAY and a copy of the newspaper mat and proof as furnished all offices by the Bureau. Mr. BROUGHTON advised he would make every effort to include the article and photograph of RAY in the June issue of his magazine which will be printed around June 1, 1968. He advised in the event he is unable to include the article in this month's issue, he will include it in the following month's issue. He advised that the normal deadline is the Fifteenth of the month preceding date of issue.

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FROM C. I. McGovzan

SUBJECT MURKIN

DATE: May 21, 1968

1 - Mr. Rosen

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On 5/20/68 ASAC Richard H. Ash of the Minneapolis Office was telephonically contacted concerning this matter. Ash was instructed to make arrangements to have the Western Union auditors' records reviewed for any money order payments made to the subject under his true name and known aliases for the months of April and May, 1968, with points of origin for such money orders being Los Angeles, Memphis, Birmingham and Atlanta. It is noted that these are the cities in which subject is known to have been during the last few months and where contact may have been made for any contract killing.

SAC Jensen of the Memphis Office and SAC Gamble of the Birmingham Office were instructed to check on large withdrawals of funds from banks in their respective headquarters for 4/5/68. By large withdrawals it was meant any sum of \$10,000 or above.

SAC Bachman, Newark, was telephonically instructed to recontact the locksmithing institute at which subject had enrolled to determine, if possible, whether or not subject had re-enrolled under another name. It was suggested to Bachman that he obtain the applications which had been filed or if the originals could not be obtained to obtain photographs of such applications and furnish to the Laboratory for handwriting purposes.

Bachman was also instructed to obtain information from the locksmithing institute as to the approximate number of such courses being offered throughout the United States and the names and identities of known locksmithing schools.

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"ONE: THE U. S. GOVERNMENT WILL NOT ISSUE A PASSPORT FOR TRAVEL TO RHODESIA.

"TWO: WOULD THEIR BE ANY WAY TO ENTER RHODESIA LEGALLY (FROM THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT POINT OF VIEW).

"I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION YOU COULD GIVE ME ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION ON RHODESIA.

"SINCERELY

ERIC S. GALT

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, NINE ZERO
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ABOVE LETTER HAND CARRIED TO BUREAU LABORATORY TODAY.

ACORD WAS IN RHODESIA WHEN THE LETTER WAS RECEIVED AT HIS OFFICE AND HIS SECRETARY REPLIED TO THIS LETTER WITH A FORM LETTER ENCLOSING LITERATURE ON RHODESIA.

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ACORD ALSO SAID HE MAY HAVE MET GALT IN NOVEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS HE RECALLS AN INDIVIDUAL
ASKING HIM QUESTIONS ABOUT EMMIGRATING TO RHODESIA. ACORD
WAS SHOWN ALL PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY AND ACORD SAID
THEY WERE NOT OF THE INDIVIDUAL HE RECALLS WHO QUESTIONED
HIM.

THE WRITER OF ABOVE LETTER WAS IN ERROR REGARDING PASSPORTS
AS RHODESIA IS NOT AND HAS NEVER BEEN ON THE LIST OF COUNTRIES
TO WHICH TRAVEL BY AMERICANS HAS BEEN RESTRICTED BY THE STATE
DEPARTMENT. A U. S. PASSPORT ISSUED IN SIXTYEIGHT IS VALID
FOR THREE YEARS FOR ALL COUNTRIES EXCEPT CUBA, MAINLAND CHINA,
NORTH KOREA AND NORTH VIETNAM.

KEN H. TOWSEY, INFORMATION OFFICER, RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT, WDC (PROTECT IDENTITY) ADVISED HE HAS COPY OF LETTER FURNISHED BY ACORD. TOWSEY WILL REVIEW FILES HIS OFFICE AND ADVISE IF FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING GALT LOCATED. TOWSEY OFFERED ON BEHALF OF HIS GOVERNMENT ALL ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE: HOWEVER.

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DESIRES A FORMAL REQUEST IN ANY FORM. HE REQUESTED THAT SUCH
REQUESTS AND ANY INFORMATION FURNISHED NOT BE MADE PUBLIC IN
VIEW OF IMPLICATIONS OF EXPLOITING THE EXISTING SITUATION OF
HIS GOVERNMENT AND OF POSSIBLY EXPANDING HOSTILITY TOWARD HIS
GOVERNMENT. TOWSEY STATED HE WOULD NOT USE OPEN TELEGRAPH TO PASS
ON ANY REQUEST TO HIS GOVERNMENT BUT WOULD USE MAIL.

THROUGH THE AMERICAN CONSULATE AT SALISBURY, RHODESIA.

TOWSEY WISHES TO BE ADVISED CONCERNING THE CHANNEL USED TO
TRANSMIT REQUEST.

BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE WFO CONCERNING THE FORM OF REQUEST TO BE MADE OF THE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT.

LOS ANGELES ADVISE WFO OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED AT JOHN
BIRCH SOCIETY AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN LOS
ANGELES TO ASSIST IN INTERVIEWING ACORD IN GREATER DETAIL.

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TION ACT DASH RHODESIA ENQUOTE. FILE REFLECTS JAMES PATRICK ACORD,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ABOVE ORGANIZATION, INTERVIEWED BY WFO MARCH
SEVEN SIXTYSEVEN AT WHICH TIME HE ADVISED PURPOSE OF ORGANIZATION
WAS TO CONVINCE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT THAT ITS AFRICAN POLICY
IS INCORRECT AND SHOULD BE CHANGED SO THAT MORE FRIENDLY RELATIONS
CAN EXIST BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND RHODESIA, SOUTH AFRICA,
ANGOLA, AND POSSIBLY GAMBIA. ACORD EXPLAINED THAT SOME COUNTRIES
ARE NOT READY FOR INDEPENDENCE BECAUSE OF LACK OF EDUCATED
PERSONNEL, RENDERING THEM VULNERABLE TO COMMUNIST TAKEOVER. HE
STATED RHODESIA'S RULING ELEMENTS ARE EDUCATED AND STRONG ENOUGH
TO WITHSTAND COMMUNIST SUBVERSION AND THAT THE UNITED STATES
THEREFORE SHOULD RECOGNIZE RHODESIA AS AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY
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all available information. Further, determine if the subscriber or the person receiving the call has any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY.

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The Bureau is requested to furnish Legat, Mexico City two copies of this airtel and set forth the same lead for Legat, Mexico as set forth for the other recipient offices listed above.

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