SUSPECT - UNIDENTIFIED MAN OBSERVED ON HIGHWAY HEADED FOR NEW MEXICO ON APRIL 18, 1968, WHO STRONGLY RESEMBLED ERIC STARVO GALT

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 18, 1968, at about 1:30 p.m., Mr. MOSE MATHEWS, 1113 Cuba Street, telephonically advised ASAC JAY COCHRAN, Jr., as follows:

MATHEWS had just seen a red Chevrolet convertible, 1963 or 1964, bearing Alabama license plates number 19-96, which was proceeding west on Interstate Highway 10 toward New Mexico. MATHEWS followed this automobile for some distance in El Paso and observed that it was occupied by two men, the driver of which "strongly resembled" suspect ERIC STARVO GALT. MATHEWS had seen the photograph of GALT in the "El Paso Times" newspaper that morning along with a description of GALT and the press release issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He based his identification of the individual in the above-mentioned automobile as strongly resembling GALT on the information which had appeared in the newspaper. MATHEWS was unable to obtain the complete license number of the automobile.

SUSPECT - UNIDENTIFIED MAN AT THE PARADISE LOUNGE, EL PASO, TEXAS, APRIL 21, 1968, WHO RESEMBLED THE PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 21, 1968, at 8:20 p.m., Security Patrol Clerk RICHARD P. CALHOUN received an anonymous telephone call at the Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The caller advised that there was a man at the Paradise Lounge, Mesa and Doniphan Streets, El Paso, at that time who resembled the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY.

On April 21, 1968, at 8:40 p.m., SA's FRANCIS J. PRASEK and DAVID J. REID entered the Paradise Lounge, supra and observed the persons in the lounge. No one was seen in the lounge between 8:40 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. who resembled JAMES EARL RAY.

SUSPECT - UNIDENTIFIED MAN IN THE AZTEC BAR, EL PASO, TEXAS, ON APRIL 23, 1968, WHO RESEMBLED ERIC STARVO GALT

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 23, 1968, at approximately 8:00 a.m., Assistant Chief Clerk WESLEY P. SHAVER received a telephone call from an individual who identified himself as "PHILLIP WHITE". This individual stated that about a half hour before a man resembling ERIC STARVO GALT had been in the Aztec Bar, 500 South Stanton Street, El Paso.

On April 23, 1968, ROSA ONTIVEROS, Barmaid, Aztec Bar, supra, advised SA's FRANCIS J. PRASEK and WALLACE A. CROSSMON that she was alone in the bar, that no customers had been in the bar that morning, that no one had used the pay telephone in the bar, and that she did not know anyone by the name of PHILLIP WHITE.

After viewing a photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT, she said that the individual in the photograph did not resemble anyone whomshe knew.

# SUSPECT - ION R. HUMMEL

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 23, 1958, Mrs. DORRIS SHINNAUT, El Paso County Tax Office, made available to SA WALLACE A. CROSSMON the records regarding the 1968 Texas licenses on file in her office. It was ascertained that the 1968 Texas license CLB 94 was registered to LON R. HUMMEL, 5939 Falcon Street, El Paso, Texas.

The 1967 El Paso City Directory reflected that the Crown Plastic Products, Inc., was located at 5939 Falcon Street, El Paso.

On April 24, 1968, Mrs. LEE NOLAN, President, Crown Plastic Products, Inc., advised SA DAVID J. REID as follows:

ION R. HUMMEL, son of a former college classmate of Mrs. NOLAN in Iowa, was employed by Crown Plastic Products, Inc., from March, 1967, to April 3, 1968. HUMMEL departed from El Paso, Texas, on April 6, 1968, en route to Winslow, Arizona, where he planned to contact JOHN TATE, Jr., 113 Elm Street, Apartment B, Winslow. HUMMEL planned to find work with TATE in the lumber business. HUMMEL was driving his white Ford Bronco with 1968 Texas license plates when he departed from El Paso.

HUMNEL did not resemble JAMES EARL RAY, according to Mrs. NOLAN, who described HUMNEL as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Date and Place of Birth	Cushing,
	Iowa
Height	5'8"
Weight	125 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Light brown, thinning on top
Complexion	Fair
Driver's License	State of Iowa

Mrs. NOLAN had no reason to believe that anything had happened to LON R. HUMMEL, and had no reason to believe that anyone had taken his automobile or his identification papers away from him.

5139 FALCONST.

SUSPECT - ERIC RAY, ALSO KNOWN AS EARL RAY, FRIEND OF SHELBY GEAN BALDRIDGE

## AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On April 25, 1968, Sergeant ELBERT BALDRIDGE, 4808 Tetons Street, telephonically advised SA DAVID J. REID as follows:

BALDRIDGE had not heard from his wife, SHELBY GEAN BALDRIDGE, since she advised him by telephone on March 31, 1968, that she was leaving Fayetteville, North Carolina, on April 1, 1968, with their two children and would arrive in El Paso, Texas, on April 3, 1968. BALDRIDGE had arranged a reconciliation with his wife, who had been living apart from him since November, 1967, and his wife had agreed to return to him with their two children. BALDRIDGE had maintained continuous contact with his in-laws, namely Mr. and Mrs. BILLY FAUCETT, Box 240, Route 1, Clarksville, Virginia, and had been advised by them that they had not seen BALDRIDGE's wife and children. BALDRIDGE received a letter from his wife on April 25, 1968, wherein she stated that she was staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. FAUCETT, and wanted BALDRIDGE to send her money in care of her aunt, RUTH JAMES, Calboun, Georgia. The letter was postmarked April 22, 1968, at Saltville, Virginia. BALDRIDGE just learned that his wife had lived with another man while PALDRIDGE was in Viet Nam in 1966 and 1967, and BALDRIDGE planned to divorce his wife. BALDRIDGE was of the opinion that his wife probably went off with some man. BALDRIDGE recalled that he and his wife planned a trip to Tampa, Florida, in 1964, which was called off due to his transfer SHELBY GEAN BALDRIDGE told Sergeant BALDRIDGE

at that time that she might have a chance to see a friend named EARL if they went to Florida. BALDRIDGE subsequently questioned his wife more thoroughly regarding this, at which time his wife said that, after graduating from high school in 1957, she and her cousin, PATSY, made a trip to Florida, at which time she met one ERIC RAY, whom she called EARL. She claimed that EARL was much older than she.

SHELBY GEAN BALDRIDGE was not known to have ever corresponded with EARL. BALDRIDGE wondered if his wife was possibly in contact with JAMES EARL RAY, who was possibly identical with the ERIC RAY she met in Florida.

On April 26, 1968, Sergeant ELBERT BALDRIDGE, supra, advised SA REID as follows:

BALDRIDGE bad no way of determining if the information furnished him by his wife regarding ERIC RAY, also known as EARL RAY, had any basis in fact. BALDRIDGE never discussed this matter with anyone other than his wife, and he had no confirming information regarding ERIC RAY or his wife's contact with ERIC RAY. His wife never said anything to him about ERIC RAY prior to their planned trip to Florida in 1964, and gave no indication that she had ever corresponded or maintained contact with ERIC RAY subsequent to 1957. If this were the case, his wife would have no way of knowing if ERIC RAY was still residing in Florida as of 1964.

On May 10, 1968, Sergeant BALDRIDGE advised SA REID as follows:

His wife, SHELBY GEAN BALDRIDGE, was in El Paso from May 3 to May 6, 1968, and then departed for the home of the parents of DANIEL C. COLLEY, Airman Third Class, United States Air Force, in Bristol, Tennessee, where she planned to reside. COLLEY is the man his wife lived with

while BALDRIDGE was in Viet Nam, and his wife is now four months pregnant by COLLEY. COLLEY is currently stationed at Pope Air Force Base, Fayetteville, North Carolina. BALDRIDGE had few words with his wife during the period from May 3 through 6, 1968, when she was in El Paso, and he did not question her regarding ERIC RAY, mentioned above.

SUSPECT - PASSENGER RESEMBLING JAMES EARL RAY ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 338

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

The following investigation was conducted by SA WALLACE A. CROSSMON on May 1, 1968, in an effort to identify a passenger by the name of Mr. LAW, Area Code 915 telephone number 568-4975:

It was determined that the above-mentioned telephone number was that of the United States Army Base, Fort Bliss, Texas, and that "Mr. LAW" was Specialist Fourth Class DOUGLAS L. LAW, RA 13 650 795, who was attached to Medical Company 3414, William Beaumont General Hospital, Fort Bliss, Texas.

On May 1, 1968, Specialist Fourth Class LAW advised that he had traveled from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 6, 1968, aboard American Airlines Flight Number 338. He sat in the rear of the airplane on the left side in a seat on the aisle.

After viewing a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, LAW stated that he did not recall seeing JAMES EARL RAY or anyone who looked like RAY while he was aboard American Airlines Flight 338. LAW noted that he was 'under the weather" during the flight and, therefore, was not too alert.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CROSSMON on May 1, 1968, in an effort to identify a passenger by the name of Mr. REID, Area Code 915, telephone number 568-1146:

It was determined that telephone number 568-1146 was the telephone number of the Airlines Traffic Office at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Mrs. JCDY FARMER, Ticket Salesman, Airlines Traffic Office, Fort Bliss, made available the records of her office having to do with passengers who purchased tickets at that office for use on April 6, 1968. These records contained the information that one Private P. I. REID had traveled on American Airlines Flight Number 82 from El Paso, Texas, to Dallas, Texas, and on American Airlines Flight Number 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Baltimore, Maryland, on April 6, 1968.

Mrs. ANN CAMERANO, Base Locator Section, Army Training Command, Fort Bliss, advised that Private PAUL I. REID, RA 16 997 675, had been transferred from Fort Bliss, Texas, to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Baltimore, Maryland, and was due to arrive there on April 7, 1968. She said that Private REID was assigned to the USAOC&S, Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FREDERICK A. JOHNS in an effort to identify a passenger by the name of Mrs. MORRISON, Area Code 915, telephone number 678-1738:

On May 1, 1968, the above-mentioned telephone number was dialed, at which time Mr. D. A. DePUE answered the telephone and advised SA JOHNS as follows:

This telephone number was that of the Family Housing Management of White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. This office handles some 800 housing units at White Sands Missile Range, and takes care of rental, repair, and maintenance matters for these housing units.

He did not know anyone by the name of MORRISON connected with the Family Housing Management Office. No one by that name was employed at the office, and none of the tenants in the housing units were named MORRISON.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHNS in an effort to identify a passenger by the name of Mrs. WEBB, Area Code 915, telephone number 565-5530:

The Cross Reference Telephone Directory for El Paso, Texas, lists telephone number 565-5530 as the number of Sergeant WILLIE WEBB, Jr., 4910 Taft Street, El Paso. This number was dialed, at which time it was learned that it was not a working number.

On May 1, 1968, Mr. SANLIN SPÉWART, Operations Officer, 112th Military Intelligence Group, Fort Bliss, Texas, advised that Sergeant WILLIP WEBB, Jr., was separated from the United States Army on April 6, 1968, and left a forwarding address of Number 1 Tillerson, Newport News, Virginia.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHNS on May 1, 1968, in an effort to identify a passenger by the name of Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, telephone number 591-2553:

On May 1, 1968, Mr. WALLACE J. CAMP, Manager, Texas State Optical Company, who resides at 9100 El Dorado Drive, advised that telephone number 591-2553 was listed to him and that his mother-in-law, Mrs. ROSE TERESHKO, was currently located at the residence of Mrs. LILLIAN DE RENZE, 602 Jefferson Street, Blackwood, New Jersey.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WALLACE A. CROSSMON on May 6, 1968, in an effort to

identify the four other soldiers who accompanied Private PAUL I. REID, supra, on American Airlines Flight 338 to Baltimore, Maryland:

On May 6, 1968, Mrs. JODY FARMER, Ticket Salesman, Airlines Traffic Office, Fort Bliss, advised that Private PAUL I. REID was accompanied on American Airlines Flight 338 to Baltimore, Maryland, on April 6, 1968, by the following privates:

JAMES D. FERGUSON, RA 18 814 868

SIDNEY J. BACA, RA 54 493 765

LARRY R. LARK, RA 18 814 872

WAYNE J. PRESTON, RA 15 875 305

On May 6, 1968, Mrs. ANN CAMERANO, Base Locator Section, Army Training Command, Fort Bliss, advised that the four privates mentioned above had been reassigned to the USAGC&S, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland.

SUSPECT - CARLARAY, ALLEGEDLY OF PECOS, TEXAS

## AT PECOS, TEXAS

On May 3, 1968, Deputy Sheriff ROBERT PHELPS, Reeves County Sheriff's Office, advised SA RICHAPD H. PICKEN as follows:

There are no Rural Routes out of Pecos, and there is no such Post Office box as 868, Pecos. No record is located in the files of the Pecos Police Department or the Reeves County Sheriff's Office, as well as the Retail Merchants Credit Bureau, regarding anyone by the name of CARL RAY or the Ray Land and Cattle Company. The Pecos Telephone Directory and Pecos City Directory were checked for Pecos and the small towns surrounding Pecos, and no record was located for anyone by the name C. RAY, CARL RAY, or the Ray Land and Cattle Company.

## SUSPECT - WILLIAM A. MARSHALL

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On May 16, 1968, Miss SARAH BROWN, Identification Division, El Paso Police Department, and Deputy Sheriff PAUL SORTOR, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, were both advised by SA DAVID . REID, that UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as WILLIAM A. MARSHALL, described as white, male, American, age 40 to 45, height 5'9", 165 to 180 pounds, dark hair, fair to medium complexion, driving 1967 Plymouth Fury III, convertible, gold in color with black top, California license UTW 102, Vehicle Identification Number PM 27 F 74238208, was wanted for questioning by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and that no warrant had been issued for the arrest of this individual.

Miss BROWN advised that an All Points Bulletin would be issued for this individual and that the All Points Bulletin would be received by the Texas Department of Public Safety in El Paso for relay to its various units.

On May 28, 1968, the below-listed individuals were advised by SA DAVID J. REID that WILLIAM A. MARSHALL was no longer wanted for questioning by the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Miss J. K. SPARKS, Identification Division, El Paso Police Department;

Deputy Sheriff PAUL SORTOR, El Paso County Sheriff's Office;

TOMMY WHEELER, Dispatcher, Texas Department of Public Safety.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY DISPLAYED TO WITNESSES IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERY CASE

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

On May 16, 1968, MARY LOU CAULLER and ROSE MARY SCHIFFINO, Tellers, El Paso Federal Savings and Loan Association, 517 North Kansas Street, were displayed photographs of JAMES EARL RAY by SA ROBERT R. FOLTZ. These two individuals advised that RAY was not identical with the unknown subject who robbed the El Paso Federal Savings and Loan Association in El Paso on September 1, 1967.

# STOPS PLACED REGARDING JAMES EARL RAY, ALSO KNOWN AS.

On April 11, 1968, the below-listed individuals were advised that ERIC STARVO GALT was wanted for questioning by the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Chief Patrol Inspector O. D. STEVENS, Marfa Sector, United States Border Patrol, Marfa, Texas, and Chief Patrol Inspector HERMAN MOORE, El Paso Sector, United States Border Patrol, El Paso, Texas, contacted by SA RICHARD H. PICKEN.

Mr. GERALD O'CONOR, Officer in Charge, United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, Santa Fe Bridge, El Paso, Texas, contacted by SA DAVID J. REID.

The below-listed individuals were contacted on the dates noted, at which time they were advised that ERIC STARVO GALT had been identified as JAMES EARL RAY, an escapee from the Missouri State Penitentiary. They were advised that a Federal Bureau of Investigation complaint had been filed in Jefferson City, Missouri, on July 20, 1967, charging RAY with unlawfully fleeing from the State of Missouri to Avoid Confinement, and that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was desirous of immediately obtaining any information which would lead to the location and apprehension of RAY:

Mr. GERALD O'CONOR, supra, contacted on April 19, 1968, by SA REID.

CESAR PEREZ SOLIS, Chief of Mexican Immigration, Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico (covers Juarez, the Juarez Valley, and Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico); JOSE DE LA LUZ ARREOLA, Mexican Customs Service, Juarez; RAUL MARRUFO, Chief Investigator, Federal Police and Federal Prosecutor's

Office, Juarez; JESUS CHACON PRIETO, Chief, State Judicial Police, Juarez; AMBROCIO GUTIERREZ, Inspector of Police, Juarez Police Department, Juarez; TEODORO PEREZ RIVAS, Jailer, Juarez; all contacted on April 19, 1968, by SA GORDON F. ELLISON.

Captain LLOYD PETERSON, El Paso Police Department, and Captain DON WHITLEY, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, both El Paso, Texas, contacted on April 23, 1968, by SA ROBERT C. NAGEL.

Acting Special Agent in Charge JACK SALTER, Customs Agency Service, El Paso, contacted en April 23, 1968, by SA FRANCIS J. PRASEK.

Chief Patrol Inspector HERMAN MOORE, El Paso Sector, United States Border Patrol, El Paso, contacted on April 23, 1968, by SA DOUGLAS A. DUNNAM.

GLYNN BYRD, Dispatcher, Texas Department of Public Safety, El Paso, contacted on April 23, 1968, by SA RICHARD H. PICKEN.

Mr. JOHN CASEBOLT, United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, Presidio, Texas, who was advised by mail on April 23, 1968.

Chief Patrol Inspector C. D. STEVENS, Marfa Sector, United States Border Patrol, Marfa, Texas, contacted by mail on April 23, 1968.

TOMMY OWENS, Midland Police Department, and Deputy Sheriff GUY FLETCHER, Midland County Sheriff's Office, both Midland, Texas, contacted on April 24, 1968, by SA JOHN J. GORMAN.

Captain CLAN MILES, Odessa Police Department, and Captain DON REAVES, Ector County Sheriff's Office, both Odessa, Texas, contacted on April 24, 1968, by SA PAUL D. SJODAL.

Captain RAY BUTLER, Regional Office, Texas Department of Public Safety, Midland, Texas, contacted on April 24, 1968, by SA JOHN R. MAURER.

The above-listed individuals in the United States were recontacted by letter dated May 9, 1968, at which time they were again apprised of the interest of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in JAMES EARL RAY. In addition, the below-listed individuals were advised by letter dated May 9, 1968, of the interest of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in JAMES EARL RAY:

EDUARDO ARMANDO MIRAMONTES PEREZ, Chief of the Mexican Immigration Service, Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico; Licenciado RENE MEDINA RODRIGUEZ, Administrator of the Mexican Customs Service, Ojinaga; ISIDRO CORTEZ GARCIA, Chief of Police, Ojinaga; DIOGENES EUSTAMANTE, Municipal President, Ojinaga.

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: Report of: DAVID J. REID Office: EL PASO Date: 5/31/68 Field Office File #: Bureau File #: 57-186 44-38861 Title: MURKIN CIVIL RIGHTS Character: Synopsis: No record regarding JAMES EARL RAY located in the West Texas area. Stops placed. SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF ROBBERY WITH DEADLY WEAPON, WAS CONFINED IN STATE HOSPITAL, FULTON, MISSOURI, IN 1966, AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Details:

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

# D STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of: DAVID J. REID

Office: EL PASO

Field Office File #: 157-186

Bureau File #: 44-38861

Title: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY

Character:

No record regarding JAMES EARL RAY located in the
West Texas area. Stops placed. SUBJECT RAY HAS BEEN CONVICTED
OF ROBBERY WITH DEADLY WEAPON, WAS CONFINED IN STATE
HOSPITAL, FULTON, MISSOURI, IN 1966, AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- P -

Details:

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

# TABLE OF CONTENTS

		•	Page	Number
CHECKS RE HARRY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER ANYONE BY THE NAME OF LOWMEYER OR LOW				3
CHECKS RE ERIC STARVO GALT		• . •		12
LAUNDRY MARKINGS		• • •	• • •	19
DANCING SCHOOLS				27
STAYNER DUGAN, MIDLAND, TEXAS, CLAIM RELATIVES BY NAME OF GALT		• • •		<b>2</b> 9
RECOVERY OF STOLEN CARS FROM THE STAGEORGIA				30
COMPARISON OF FINGERPRINTS OF JAMES WITH UNIDENTIFIED LATENT FINGERPRINT ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES	TS BY LAW			<b>3</b> 3
J. R. KELLER, REPORTED ASSOCIATE OF RAY AT LEAVENWORTH				34
ROBERT DALE PORTER, ACQUAINTANCE OF RAY AT THE MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIA				<b>3</b> 5
FRANK BRICKLEY, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESS INVOLVED WITH JAMES EARL RAY				36
SUSPECTS	• • • •			37
PHOTOGRAPHS OF JAMES EARL RAY DISPLA WITNESSESS IN UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERY				52
STOPS PLACED REGARDING JAMES EARL RAALSO KNOWN AS				53

## AT EL PASO, TEXAS

CHECKS RE HARRY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER OR ANYONE BY THE NAME OF LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER

The below-listed agencies and sources of information were checked in an effort to develop information regarding anyone with the above-captioned names. No pertinent information was developed as a result of these checks.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WALLACE A. CROSSMON on April 9, 1968:

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Credit Bureau of El Paso;

- El Paso Police Department;
- El Paso County Sheriff's Office;
- El Paso County Tax Office (Voter Registration Records);
- El Paso City Directories;
- El Paso Telephone Directories.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANCIS J. PRASEK on April 9, 1968:

# AT FORT BLISS, EL PASO, TEXAS

Post Locator Records of the United States Army Training Center and the United States Army Air Defense Center;

Records of the Civilian Personnel Office.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN R. MAURER on April 10, 1968:

# AT PECOS, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Credit Bureau;

Pecos Police Department;

Reeves County Sheriff's Office;

Reeves County Tax Office (Voter Registration Records);

Pecos Telephone and City Directories;

Security State Bank;

First National Bank.

# AT MONAHANS, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Credit Bureau;

Monahans Police Department;

Ward County Sheriff's Office;

Ward County Tax Office (Voter Registration Records);

First State Bank;

First National Bank;

Monahans Telephone and City Directories.

# AT MENTONE, TEXAS

Loving County Sheriff's Office (Voter's Registration checked through Sheriff)

The investigation as set out above conducted by SA MAURER, also included checks under the name of ERIC STARVO GALT.

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL D. SJODAL on April 10, 1968:

# AT ODESSA, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association;

Odessa Police Department;

Ector County Sheriff's Office;

Ector County Tax Office (Voter Registration
records);

Odessa City and Telephone Directories;

First National Bank;

American Bank of Commerce;

National Bank of Odessa;

First State Bank;

Home Savings Association;

Odessa Savings and Loan Association;

First Savings and Loan Association.

# AT ANDREWS, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association of Andrews;

Andrews Police Department;

Andrews County Sheriff's Office

Andrews County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Andrews Telephone Directory;

Commercial State Bank;

First National Bank;

Andrews Savings and Loan Association.

The above-mentioned investigation by SA SJODAL included checks under the name of ERIC STARVO GALT.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN J. GORMAN on April 9, 1968:

# AT MIDLAND, TEXAS

Midland Police Department;

Midland County Sheriff's Office;

Retail Merchants Association:

Midland County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Midland City and Telephone Directories.

# AT STANTON, TEXAS

Stanton Police Department;

Martin County Sheriff's Office;

Martin County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Stanton Telephone Directory.

# AT FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association;

Fort Stockton Police Department;

Pecos County Sheriff's Office;

Pecos County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Fort Stockton Telephone and City Directories

(Pecos County Sheriff's Office covers Iraan, Sheffield, and Imperial, Texas, as does the Retail Merchants Association of Fort Stockton. Telephone Directories of Iraan, Sheffield, and Imperial were also checked.)

## AT RANKIN, TEXAS

Upton County Sheriff's Office;

Upton County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Rankin Telephone Directory.

# AT MCCALMY, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association (covers Rankin, Texas);

McCamey Police Department;

McCamey Telephone Directory.

# AT CRANE, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association;

Crane Police Bepartment;

Crane County Sheriff's Office;

Crane County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Crane Telephone Directory.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD H. PICKEN on April 9, 1968:

## AT ALPINE, TEXAS

Alpine Credit Bureau (also covers Marfa, Sierra Blanca, Fort Davis, Presidic, and Van Horn, Texas)

Alpine Police Department;

Brewster County Sheriff's Office;

Brewster County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Alpine Telephone Directory.

# AT MARFA, TEXAS

Marfa City Marshal;

Presidio County Sheriff's Office;

Presidio County Tax Office (Yoter Registration records);

Marfa Telephone Directory.

## AT SIERRA BLANCA, TEXAS

Hudspeth County Sheriff's Office;

Hudspeth County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Sierra Blanca Telephone Directory.

# AT FORT DAVIS, TEXAS

Jeff Davis County Sheriff's Office;

Jeff Davis County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Fort Davis Telephone Directory.

# AT VAN HORN, TEXAS

Culberson County Sheriff's Office;

Culberson County Tax Office (Voter Registration records);

Van Horn Telephone Directory.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT B. LYONS on April 9, 1968:

# AT JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO

Mexican Immigration Service (Tourist Visa Files);

Juarez Police Department;

Chihuahua State Police;

United States Consulate;

Juarez Telephone Directory.

## CHECKS RE ERIC STARVO GALT

The below-listed agencies and sources of information were contacted regarding any information under the name ERIC STARVO GALT. No pertinent information was developed:

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANCIS J. PRASEK on April 10, 1968:

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Credit Bureau of El Paso;

El Paso Police Department;

El Paso County Sheriff's Office;

El Paso County Tax Office (Voter Registration records):

El Paso City and Telephone Directories

Post Locator Records of the United States Army Training Center and the United States Army Air Defense Center and the records of the Civilian Personnel Office, all Fort Bliss, Texas.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EDWARD JOSEPH MURPHY on April 10, 1968:

# AT EL PASO, TEXAS

State National Bank;

Southwest National Bank;

Bassett National Bank;

First State Bank;

American Bank of Commerce;

Coronado State Bank;

Northgate National Bank;

El Paso Federal Savings and Loan Association;

First Savings and Loan Association.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN J. CLYNICK on April 10, 1968:

## AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association;

Surety Federal Savings and Loan Association;

Chelmont State Bank;

Citizens State Bank of Ysleta;

El Paso National Bank.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD H. PICKEN on April 10, 1968:

# AT ALPINE, TEXAS

Alpine Credit Bureau;

Alpine Police Department;
Brewster County Sheriff's Office;
Alpine Telephone Directory;
First National Bank of Alpine.

AT MARFA, TEXAS

Presidio County Sheriff's Office;

riesidio county bherrir s office

Harfa Telephone Directory;

Marfa National Bank.

# AT VAN HORN, TEXAS

Culberson County Sheriff's Office;

Van Horn Telephone Directory;

Van Horn State Bank.

# AT FORT DAVIS, TEXAS

Jeff Davis County Sheriff's Office;

Fort Davis Telephone Directory;

Fort Davis State Bank.

# AT FABENS, TEXAS

First National Bank of Fabens;

Fabens Telephone Directory.

# AT SIERRA BLANCA, TEXAS

Hudspeth County Sheriff's Office;

Sierra Blanca Telephone Directory.

# AT VALENTINE AND PRESIDIO, TEXAS

Valentine and Presidio Telephone Directories.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN R. MAURER on April 10, 1968:

(See information set out above under LOWMEYER caption).

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL D. SJODAL on April 10, 1968:

(See information set out under the LOWMEYER caption).

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN J. GORMAN on April 10, 1968:

# AT MIDLAND, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association;

Midland Police Department;

Midland County Shariff's Office;

Midland Telephone and City Directories;

Bank of the Southwest;

Commercial Bank and Trust Company;

First National Bank;

Midland National Bank;

First Savings and Loan Association;

Citizens Savings and Loan Association;

Midland Savings Association.

AT STANTON, TEXAS

Stanton Police Department;

Martin County Sheriff's Office;

Stanton Telephone Directory;

First National Bank.

AT RANKIN, TEXAS

Upton County Sheriff's Office;

Rankin Telephone Directory;

First State Bank.

# AT McCAMEY, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association:

McCamey Police Department;

McCamey Telephone Directory;

Security State Bank.

# AT FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association;

Fort Stockton Police Department;

Pecos County Sheriff's Office;

Fort Stockton Telephone and City Directories;

First National Bank;

Pecos County State Bank;

First Savings and Loan Association.

# AT CRANE, TEXAS

Retail Merchants Association;

Crane Police Department;

Crane County Sheriff's Office;

Crane Telephone Directory;

First State Bank.

### AT IRAAN, TEXAS

Iraan Telephone Directory;

Iraan State Bank.

## AT IMPERIAL AND SHEFFIELD, TEXAS

Imperial and Sheffield Telephone Directories.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT B. LYONS on April 10, 198:

### AT JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO

Mexican Immigration Service (Tourist Visa Files);

Juarez Police Department;

Chihuahua State Police;

United States Consulate;

Juarez Telephone Directory.

#### LAUNDRY MARKINGS

The below-listed laundries were contacted on the dates noted in an effort to ascertain if any laundries used a Thermo-Seal Marking Machine manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York, to mark laundered clothing, in view of the fact that among articles recovered at the scene of the shooting of Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., were a pair of brownish checkered print undershorts and white Jockey T-shirt bearing cloth laundry tags made by a Thermo-Seal Marking Machine. These tage were one quarter inch wide and one and one sixteenth inches long, red in color, and bear marking which appeared to be "OBB-6", or "D2B-6". None of the laundries contacted made use of Thermo-Seal Marking Machines, except as otherwise indicated below:

The following investigation was conducted by SA WALLACE A. CROSSMON on April 9, 1968:

#### AT EL PASO, TEXAS

A-Better Cleaners and Laundry;

AAA Cleaners and Laundry;

Acme Laundry and Cleaners;

American Laundry and Cleaners;

Angelus Cleaners;

Four Hour Shirt Service;

Wash Well Laundry;

Crystal Cleaners:

Montview Cleaners:

Circle K Cleaners;

Texas Cleaners and Laundry;

Dyer Laundry;

Spring Laundry.

The following investigation was conducted by SA HAROLD H. BOYCE on April 9, 1968:

### AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Supreme Laundry;

El Paso Laundry.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT C. NAGEL on April 9, 1968.

#### AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Mr. J. LIOYD GORE, Owner, Laun-Dry Supply Company, 3800 Durazno Street, said he could make the statement without hesitation that there were no Thermo-Seal Marking Machines used by any laundries in El Paso at the present time. He said that the Elite Laundry, which is no longer in business, was formerly located in El Paso and used a Thermo-Seal Marking Machine up to about four or five years ago, but it had not been known to have been used since that time.

A representative of the Edmunds Chemical Company, 1619 Bassett Street, telephonically advised that this company had no information to indicate that any Thermo-Seal Marking Machines were used by any laundries in the El Paso area.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN R. MAURER on April 9, 1968:

# AT PECOS, TEXAS

Airlawn Laundrette;

EZY-Way Laundry.

### AT MONAHANS, TEXAS

Monahans Steam Laundry.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN J. GORMAN on April 9, 1968:

#### AT MIDLAND, TEXAS

CARRIEL NIPP, Manager, Snowhite Laundry and Cleaners, advised that none of the laundries in Midland used a Thermo-Seal Marking Machine. Hi said that his laundry used such a machine until about three years ago, but that it did not use red tags when the machine was in use.

#### AT FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

Stockton Steam Laundry.

#### AT ANDREWS, TEXAS

Andrews Steam Laundry.

#### AT KERMIT, TEXAS

Oak Street Laundry;

Monarch Professional Laundry.

#### AT ODESSA, TEXAS

Troy Laundry and Cleaners;

Sunshine Laundry and Cleaners;

Monarch Laundry and Cleaners;

Nu-Way Clemers.

Mr. RUSSELL NORTON, Manager, Odessa Laundry and Cleaners, 1107 West 10th Street, advised that this was the only laundry in Odessa that was currently using a Thermo-Seal Marking Machine. He said that his machine used only numbers and no letters, that the tags used by the machine are one third inch by three quarters inch, and that only white tags are used, with the exception of rush orders, when orange tags are used. He stated that the machine is not used to mark rough dry work, such as shorts and T-shirts.

The telephone directories for McCamey, Crane, Rankin, Stanton, and Iraan, Texas, were checked and no listing was located for any laundries, except for self-service laundries.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD H. PICKEN on April 9, 1968:

#### AT ALPINE AND MARFA, TEXAS

ED DeVOLIN, Elite Laundry and Cleaners, Marfa,

machinery was sold to other laundries in the community, but no record had been maintained regarding the disposal of any of the machinery.

The below-listed individuals were contacted in an effort to ascertain what disposition had been made of the Thermo-Seal Marking Machines formerly used by the Elite Laundry and Cleaners in El Paso. These individuals advised that they did not recall what disposition had been made of these machines:

WILLIAM JONES, Red Top Linen and Industrial Supply Company, contacted April 15, 1968;

BERNARD MUNOZ, Red Top Linen and Industrial Supply Company, contacted April 15, 1968, (former employee of Elite Laundry and Cleaners);

LORENZO ORTEGA, Red Top Linen and Industrial Supply Company, contacted on April 17, 1963, (former employee of Elite Laundry and Cleaners);

PAUL OLSEN, Secretary, W. R. Weaver Company, contacted on April 17, 1968, (the W. R. Weaver Company owned the Elite Laundry and Cleaners when the latter went out of existence);

HAROLD LEVY, Owner, Angelus Cleaners, contacted on April 17, 1968;

JAIME AYALA, Griffin Cleaners, contacted on April 17 and 18, 1968, (former Cleaning Department Foreman of Elite Laundry and Cleaners).

Mr. LLOYD GORE, Owner, Laun-Dry Supply Company, contacted on April 17, 1968, (he stated he personally serviced the Thermo-Seal Marking Machines at the Elite Laundry and Cleaners, but did not recall what happened to them);

Mrs. PERRY STIGLER, Perry's Cleaners and Shirt Laundry, contacted on April 18, 1968;

ANTONIO GALINDO, Mesa Cleaners, contacted on April 18, 1968;

REFUGIO PARTIDA, Texas Cleaners, contacted on April 18, 1968;

RALPH THURMOND, Regal Supply Company, contacted on April 18, 1968.

On April 18, 1968, Miss CELIA F. JIMINEZ, Bookkeeper, Laun-Dry Supply Company, advised that she recalled that this company sold the Elite Laundry and Cleaners its two Thermo-Seal Marking Machines. She said it was her recollection that these machines used the old style tape, which was five sixteenths of an inch in width, not one quarter inch tape. Miss JIMINEZ reviewed the records of the Laun-Dry Supply Company and located information in the records indicating that the Thermo-Seal Marking Machines used by the Elite Laundry and Cleaners made use of five sixteenths inch tape.

The FBI Laboratory determined that the pillowcase and bedsheet found in the trunk of the 1966 white Mustang registered to ERIC STARVO GALT, which was located at Atlanta, Georgia, on April 11, 1968, contained Thermo-Seal Laundry tapes of approximately the same size as tapes on items previously recovered, but were yellow in color and contained the code. "20R-3".

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL D. SJODAL on April 23, 1968:

Mr. JAMES R. NORTON, Manager, Odessa Laundry and Cleaners, Odessa, Texas, stated that the Thermo-Seal Marking Machine used by the laundry does not use letters and only uses numbers. He said the machine uses white tape except for rush orders, when any colored tape is used.

#### DANCING SCHOOLS

The below-listed dancing schools were contacted in an effort to ascertain if anyone using the names ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER, or JOHN WILLARD, had ever attended these schools and registered under these names or any variations thereof. No information was developed to indicate that anyone using any of the above-mentioned names had ever attended any of these schools.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN J. GORMAN on April 15, 1968:

## AT MIDLAND, TEXAS

E. F. BINGHAM, Owner, Bingham Dance Studio;

Mrs. MARY RUTH DILTZ, Mary Ruth Diltz Dance Studio;

GEORGIA GOSS HARSTON, Harston School of Dance.

#### AT PECOS, TEXAS

Mrs. SHELIA MARTIN, Shelia Martin Dance Studio.

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL D. SJODAL on April 15, 1968:

#### AT ODESSA, TEXAS

Mrs. BETTY MOOSHER, Manager, Arthur Murray Dance Studio;

Mrs. MARJORIE MONTILLA, Owner, Montilla Studio of Ballroom Dancing.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DAVID J. REID on the dates noted:

### AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Miss PAT STUART, Supervisor, Arthur Murray Dance Studio, contacted on April 15, 1968;

Mrs. B. H. GARLAND, Garland Dance Studio, contacted on April 15, 1968;

Mr. GUILLERMO AGUILAR, Aguilar Dance Studio, contacted on April 15, 198;

Mr. GORDON C. JOHNSON, Owner, Bassett Dance Studio, contacted on April 17, 1968;

Mrs. INGEBORG HEUSER, Ballet Centre, contacted on April 17, 1968;

Mrs. VIRGINIA M. WEAVER, Manager, The Lively Arts, contacted on April 17, 1968;

Mr. GOPDON C. JOHNSON, supra, recontacted on April 18, 1968.

STAYNER DUGAN, MIDLAND, TEXAS, CLAIMED HE HAD RELATIVES BY NAME OF GALT

### AT MIDLAND, TEXAS

On April 15, 1968, Mr. STAYNER DUGAN, 1900 Sparks Street, advised SA JOHN J. GORMAN as follows:

He had relatives by the name of GALT. Some of these relatives spell their name as "GUALT" and some spell the name as "GUAT". His father, GLENN E. DUGAN, 1247 Vine Street, Abilene, Texas, has the hobby of genealogy and would know if there was anyone in the family by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT. His aunt, FERN TRUCKENMILLER, who was visiting with his father in Abilene, also was in possession of information regarding the GALT family tree.

### RECOVERY OF STOLEN CARS FROM THE STATE OF GEORGIA

The below-listed individuals were contacted on April 24, 1968, at which time they advised that, to the best of their knowledge, no stolen automobiles with license plates of the State of Georgia have been recovered in their respective territories subsequent to April 4, 1968:

Sheriff DAN SAUNDERS, Martin County Sheriff's Office, and Chief of Police JAKE BRUTON, both of Stanton, Texas, contacted by SA JOHN J. GORMAN.

Deputy Sheriff JAMES SULLIVAN, Pecos County Sheriff's Office, and Chief of Police STANLEY HARRISON, both of Fort Stockton, Texas, contacted by SA GORMAN.

Sheriff GENE ECKOLS, Upton County Sheriff's Office, Rankin, Texas, contacted by SA GORMAN.

Chief of Police CARL LOCKER, McCamey, Texas, contacted by SA GORMAN.

Sheriff RAY WEATHERBY, Crane County Sheriff's Office, and Chief of Police JOHNNY LANDIS, both of Crane, Texas, contacted by SA GORMAN.

Chief Deputy Sheriff GUY FLETCHER, Midland County Sheriff's Office, and Officer WILLIAM STRIBLING, Dispatcher, Midland Police Department, both of Midland, Texas, contacted by SA GORMAN.

Chief of Police BOB PATTERSON, Monahans, Texas, and Deputy Sheriff KEN STROUD, Reeves County Sheriff's Office, Pecos, Texas, both contacted by SA JOHN R. MAURER.

#### EP 157-186

WEYLAND COFFEY, Dispatcher, Texas Department of Public Safety, El Paso, Texas, contacted by SA RICHARD H. PICKEN.

ANTONIO GARCIA VALENCIA, Chihuahua State Traffic Department, JOSE RUBALCABA, State Judicial Police, and AMBROCIO GUTIERREZ, Inspector, Juarez Police Department, all Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico, contacted by SA ROBERT B. LYONS.

Captain OLAN MILES, Detective GLENN WALLACE, and Assistant Chief JACK TOMLIN (NA), all of the Odessa Police Department, Odessa, Texas, contacted by SA PAUL D. SJODAL.

Captain DON REAVES (NA), and Deputy SONNY HOLDERMAN, Ector County Sheriff's Office, Odessa, Texas, contacted by SA SJODAL.

Sheriff BUD GREGORY, Andrews County Sheriff's Office, Andrews, Texas, contacted by SA SJODAL.

Detective JOE AVALOS, Auto Theft Detail, El Paso Police Department, El Paso, Texas, contacted by SA DONN K. SICKLES.

RAY MONTES, Sergeant, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, El Paso, Texas, contacted by SA SICKLES.

On April 25, 1968, GEORGE CONNOR, Manager, El Paso Wrecker Service, 428 Frederick Street, El Paso, advised SA SICKLES that the only automobile located at the lot of the wrecker service which had Georgia license plates was a 1966 Oldsmobile 98 four door hardtop, Vehicle Identification Number 384396M242814, 1967 Georgia License Plates 56A471. He said that this automobile had been

#### EP 157-186

impounded at the wrecker service lot since April 20, 1968. He noted that the Airport Police at the El Paso International Airport had placed a ticket on the automobile for over-parking on April 20, 1968, and that the automobile had been removed from the parking lot of the airport and impounded at the wrecker service lot on that date. He noted that on the rear seat of the automobile was located 1968 Georgia license plates 56A357.

The individuals listed above who were contacted on April 24, 1968, regarding the recovery of stolen automobiles from the State of Georgia, were recontacted by the same Special Agents during the period from April 26 through 29, 1968, at which time they advised that no information was contained in the files of their respective offices regarding the recovery of stolen automobiles with Georgia license plates during the period from March 23, 1968, to April 4, 1968.