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explaining to the old man her relationship with RAY, he advised her to co-operate with the police. Fred VAN LOVEN could not supply any definite information in this case.

In relation to the map mentioned above, marks on the map in the east part of the City are as follows:

- (1) Edgewood Avenue and Ringston Road, Toronto, Ontario.
 This is a parking lot used by apartment buildings located on Ringston Road, especially 140 Ringston Road, as stated. The superintendents of five apartment buildings were questioned, however, none could identify RAY or assist this enquiry.
- (2) Victoria Park and Needhurst Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.
 A small weedy park searched thoroughly with negative results.
- (3) Cassandra Blvd., Toronto, Ontario.

 General area is a housing development with a small park winding behind the houses park searched with negative results. It will be noted, Paul Edward BRIDGMAN, mentioned para. 31 report submitted 13 JUN 68, resides at 80 Cassandra Blvd.
- (4) Leslie Street and C.W.R. Tracks. Wilket Creek Park, South of Danforth Avenue is a forest and creek area. Searched with negative results.

It might be noted that the areas marked on the map other than Ossington Street, the downtown district (Vital Statistics) and the 140 Kingston Road are termination points of the Toronto Transit Commission. It is suggested that possibly this map was marked by either the suspect or an accomplice for the use of Public Transportation. There has been no evidence to substantiate this theory.

As noted in para. 40 of previously submitted report, bric S. GALT was checked on 19 APR 68. He was contacted personally by myself and Opl. J.S. Dunlop in this matter on 10 JUL 68. Eric St. Vincent GALT was born 9-1-19, presently employed as Warehouse Foreman, UNION CARBIDZ CANADA LIMITED, Toronto, Ontario. His father, James Henry GALT died 23 FEB 19 and was buried in England; his mother, Raomi (Mrs. James) GALT now resides 14 Welwyn Ave., Scarborough, Ontario. No relatives are buried in Toronto. GALT does not know either SNEYD or BRIDGHAN, nor has he had any dealings with RAY. He banks at the Toronto Dominion Bank, Eglinton Square and NaTIONAL TRUST CO., LTD., Golden Mile; Toronto, Ontario. He is a member of the VIKING GUN CLUB, CANADA SUBA UA, an underwater diving club and is currently president of the Underwater Council. UALT made a trip to the U.S. sometime in 1963 and a second trip in 1966. The second time he and family travelled to Islomorada, Florida, where they stayed at the DROP ANCHOR MOTEL for one week. GALT and family made two brief trips to Montreal, one in 1963 and the second in SEPT 1966. RE:

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At no time did GALT loose or misplace any documents during these trips in either the U.S. or Nontreal. He could not supply any information to explain why RAT might have been using his name, if in fact the Eric Starvo GALT used by RAT was intended to be the name of the Eric ST. Vincent GALT of Toronto. GALT at one time signed his name, Eric ST.V. GALT, but four years ago stopped signing the short form of his middle name. The middle name was signed ST with a small circle as the period as STo and the letter V again with a small circle as a period as SToVo. The main reason for discontinuing this habit was the company forms requiring a signature were so small he had to cramp the whole signature.

- ROCET RIA, 1453 queen St. West, Toronto, advised that RAY entered his store 2:30, 23 APA 66, from the rear and asked him for a full time job. RAY was notified that full time help was only hired from the head office and not by various branches, the correct address and phone number were supplied to RAY. At this point RAY left the store and subsequently boarded a street car and left the area. RAY described as 5'0", 160 lbs., sports jacket checked, grey pants, neat dresser, dark brown hair, identified from F.B.I. Bulletin as well as picture taken in late January or early February 1968 in California. The Head Office of LOBLANS was checked; however, there is no record of LAY applying for a job under his own name or aliases.
- Dufferin and Eglinton Sts., Foronto, Ontario, was contacted by Est.
 Giffin. We advised that during the middle of April 1968, a man wearing a checked jacket, shirt, tie and sunglasses came into LOBLAWS GROCETERIA, 1453 Queen Street west, Toronto, Ontario, to seek employment, where he, BERNS, was working at the time. BERNS thought he recognized the man from a picture displayed in Time Magazine about this time. He followed MAY from the store and watched him board an eastbound street car. BERNS them returned to the store and phoned the Metro Toronto P.D.; however, the 1.T.P.D. were unable to locate MAY. No further information was available from BERNS.
- that an envelope addressed to Paul BalbGMAN, 102 Ossington ave., Toronto 3, Ontario, had been intercepted in the mail. Opl. Dunlop and Det.Sgt.

 Marsh picked up the envelope and found it to contain advertising material from DIRECT FILM SHRVICE, P.O. Box 100/C.P. 100, Stn Youville, Montreal, Quebec, mailed from Montreal, 13 JUN 68. Written in pen under the typewritten name and address are the words Re: S.S. GALT.
- and subsequent investigation by his revealed that Paul BalbOman was recommended to DIRECT FILM DEVICE by a person signing the name E.S. Galf. Obviously this is a crank recommendation relating to the investigation and not uncommon as far as the DIRECT FILM GENVICE is concerned. It will be noted that MAY was arrested 8 JUN 68, wherein the envelope is dated 13 JUN 68. No noubt the publicity given this case prompted someone to this action.

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II. Wr. Holmes Yen CHIN, COMMUNITY CLEANERS, 789 Dundas St. West, Toronto, Ontario, phone number 283-6377 was contacted as a result of Telex CIBI507 from the Commissioner dated 10 JUN 68. CHIN verified that the laundry mark, letter C circled over number 24, was his laundry mark; however, he could not supply any details on who owned the clothing. When laundry is brought to his shop, he issues a tag to the customer; when the customer returns, the tags are matched and the laundry handed over. No information is recorded. CHIN failed to recognize the second laundry mark, EG-C83. Attached hereto, are copies of Ontario Provincial Report Occurrence No. 8 dated 19 JUN 68, prepared by Mr. C. O'BIRME, the D.P.F. laundry and dry cleaning mark expert.

12. Mr. C. O'BYRNS searched his records concerning the second laundry mark, 80-CS3, appearing on a pair of men's shorts, and as a result gave the following laundries as possibles:

- (1) SUNG'S LAUNDRY 50 Gecil St., Toronto. Checked 9 JUL 68 - Negative.
- (2) FONG'S LAUNDRY 5 Klauch St., Fort Erie, Ont.
- (3) LESTS LAUSDRY 52 Queen St. East, Hespler.

Copies of this report and photo of the Laundry mark in question being forwarded direct to Fort Erie and Mitchener Detachments for the necessary action.

12. A registered letter was written to this Force by Josef KROBOTH, 43 Glen Davis Grescent, Toronto, Ontario, as follows:

"BGMP Toronto Att. Superintendent G. R. Doey 3 Sullivan St. Toronto 28

Dear Sir;

Immediately to the date established for the arrivial of the assassin of Rev. Martin Luther King here in Toronto I gave a report to the Metro Police Department 52 Station on College St. I did recognize the wanted man from the newspaper sketch and gave a description of him and the place seen here in Toronto to Metro Police. At that time he met with a woman.

I feel as a citizen I have done my duty and would like to know if my information was in any way helpful towards the search. Also if there is any reward for information leading to the capture.

Sincerely yours,

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that he actually saw RAY or even reported the event. KROBOTH stated that he was walking south on Blocabeth Street, Toronto, Ontario, during the afternoon of S AFR 68, when he saw MAY with a red-haired woman in the vicinity of the City Hall. As he is a caretaker next door to \$52 Folice Station, College Street, he says he reported same sometime between 12:00 midnight and 8:00 a.m. 9 AFR 68. There is no record at this Station of a complaint received from this person. KROBOTH is not known to be a mantal case, however, he is considered to be very eccentric. He was notified that RAY was not arrested as a result of information supplied by him. On the completion of the interview RORBOTH was satisfied with the action taken.

Enquiries relating to C. Alexander Manh, author of a letter written 10 Juli 68 addressed to Ottawa and to a letter addressed to Mayor Lindsay, New York City, and Folice Chief Hemphis, 16 APR 62, signed "Concerned" involving Joseph Formander, have not been completed to date. A further report will be submitted covering these two phases of the investigation.

15. Checks were made at the following in an effort to find some trace of MAT:

- (1) Air Canada flights from Toronto to Montreal during period AAT is not accounted for AFA 19-26/68.

 Negative at this point...All records held at Accounts Department Winnipeg. If deemed necessary, may these documents be searched.
- (2) CHR RAFIDO from Toronto to Montreal No records maintained.
- (3) Records for newspapers, Telegras, Star and Gobe & Mail checked to verify whether RAT used their facilities to obtain background information on SNEYD or SRIDGMAN. Central Library also checked where these newspapers are all kept up to date negative.
- (4) Bell Telephone Company contacted re Long Distance Tolls from pay phone No. 531-9662 located at 1077 Dundas St. Sest, the phone used by NAT. Negative, records destroyed after one month. All long distance calls made from phone at both 962 Dundas St. Sest and 102 Obsington St. checked negative re NAT.
- (5) Notor Vehicle Branch contacted concerning duplicate driver's or operator's license issued under names in question negative.
- (6) Registered Pawn Brokers checked under name RAY and all allases negative.
 - (a) A. Phasalis & Co., 202 Laben St., West.

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- (b) James McTARSY & Co., 139 Church St.
- (c) S. SIMONSKY, 115 Church St.
- (d) H. WILLIA S & CO. LITO., 145 Church St.
- (e) A. FRANKLIN & CO., 202 Queen St. West.

APR 8 - MAY 6, when he was known to be in the Toronto area, have not been successful. Investigation has failed to disclose any employment for RAY nor have the numerous hotel and beverage rooms employees, who have been contacted, identified him as having visited their establishments. It is possible, however, that RAY could lose himself in the low class bars and hotels in Toronto without fear of being discovered.

Referring to correspondence from the Officer i/c C.I.B., Ottawa, dated 3 JUL 68, please be advised that the Metro Toronto Police Department Hold-Up Squad have been notified of the robbery in question.

18. Investigation is continuing in this case and a further report will be submitted to meet the undernoted Diary Date.

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D.D.: 31 JUL 68

(F.H. Fullerton) / 16043. Toronto C.I.B. General.

(L.H. Sgt. i/c Tor. CIE Gen. 69-0-790-205 68H 791-0-60 (V.2)

THE C.O. "C", MONTREAL

Re: Dr. Martin Luther KING Murder of Assistance to F.B.I.

FORWARDED for your information.

2. It will be noted that investigation was conducted in Montreal as described in Paras. 9 and 10 as a result of a verbal request from our investigator.

3. Copies to the Commissioner.

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TORONTO 18-7-68 (J.M. Nelson), Insp. Ast. C.I.B. Officer

THE COMMISSIONER, OTTAWA

FORWARDED for your information, together with copies of the second statement (in sealed confidential envelope), O.P.P. report and two views of HUTCHINSON.

The majority of the investigation requested in this area has now been completed. However, there are still some loose ends being attended to. Further advice may be expected.

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(J.M. Nelson), Insp. Asst. C.I.B. Officer

Blanche Sestrice Vall AVEN, 140 Kingston bd. Aut. Al. Tel. OX 4-6859.

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To: Sgt. S. Walker.
Supervisor,
Recording Units,
Central Records Branch.

OCCURRENCE No. 3 - RECORD BOUK.

From: Laundry & Dry Cleaning Marks
Identification,
Central Records Branch.

June 19th. 1968.

Re: Laundry & Dry Cleaning Marks on clothing of James Earl RAY.

Investigating Officer: R.C.M.P. Cpl. J.S. DUNLOP, '0' Div. Hdqtrs, 3 Sullivan, Toronto, Tel: 369-4766.

At II.30 a.m. June 18th. 1968, Cpl. DUNLOP contacted the examiner of the laundry & dry cleaning marks file, by phone, and imparted the following information:-

- (a) previous details of marks on shirt & jacket were not correct;
- (b) the marks on the shirt, 'TF 2307-2219' should have been given as 'PF 2307-2219'; these marks are now known to be manufacturers;
- (c) the marks on the jacket, '37153', previously amended to '3-7153' are now known to be '3-7-15-3; and appear on right chest pocket of jacket & right trouser pocket; these marks are described as stamped; still not known if applied directly or appearing on tag;
- (d) laundry mark appearing on collar of shirt now described as a letter 'C', completely enclosed in a circle, with a horizontal line immediately below circle, and, directly underneath the line two digits, '24'; still unknown if the marks are by hand, or machine.

An immediate comparison of the laundry mark was started, and, working on the assumption that letter 'C', or digits '24' might be 'Indicator Letter', or 'Indicator Numbers'quickly eliminated the digits, and, established that letter 'C', circumscriber by circle, immediately over digits, was the method of identification used by the COMMUNITY CLEANERS, 789 Dundas St. W. Toronto.

In the circumstances of the COMMUNITY CLEANERS, and laundry agents, SANITARY LAUNDRY, 673 College St. Toronto, the identifying mark is applied, by hand, in black indelible ink, directly on the collar of shirts; the encircled letter 'c' indicates the address of the laundry, and, the digits indicate the customer invoice number.

Despite amendments to dry cleaning marks it is not possible to relate to any of the samples on file, and, owing to absence of photograph, or adequate details, it cannot be positively concluded if these marks are, in fact, dry cleaners.

At 3.55 p.m. Sgt. S. Walker, in cooperation with Staff Sgt. J. Foley, 'phoned submission of COMMUNITY CLEANERS to R.C.M.P. In summation, this office is of the opinion that the submission, in respect to COMMUNITY CLEANERS, will prove positive; further examination of the dry cleaning marks must await 'photo clarification.

with respect,

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ENCLOSURE

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OMTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE CENTRAL REGISTRY DPY CLEANING AND LAUNDRY MARKS

Name of business
Address. 789 Dundas St. W Town Toronto. County York Ph EM-3-6877.
Manager's name & address H.Y.Chin premises
Individual establishment Branch store Head office Agency no services
Are services performed on the premises? D.C. () Shirts () Laundry () D.C. Varsity Cleaners 7 Bulver St. EM-8-8291 If not, who does the work Laundry Sanitary Laundry 673 College St. LE-5-3126
Do your sub-contractors add any marks to that which you use?
If any work is done for agents or other stores, include names and address on reverse side of this form.
Where are your sales slip records kept?premisesHow long? yr
Do they record Sustomers name and address?no
Where do you keep storage garments?
METHODS OF MARKING
Hand xMachineInk, x. Indelible inkInvisible inkStamping Paper tags. X. Metal tagsCloth tagsOther
State significant factors of marking if any. Laundry
If tag type, do you use staples or TAXE. and now many? Shirts ()
Describe attachment. Shirtsnil
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inside pocket pocket hem collar Suit Coat Coat Nem Collar Shirts
When was the last change in marking system?
State exactly the meaning of any numbers, letters, symbols used. Dry Cleaning
Three samples of tags or markings are required. Please attach to paper
in normal manner and include with this questionnaire.
Name of Officer Donald Elchuck P.C. 1615 District No. 1 Dist. Metro Toronto March 16 1965
Date

Meanings

D.C. Top to bottom

Com indicates address of laundry

666 " customers invoice number

1 . " number of articles

Shirts ! Laundry

Circle C address of Laundry

666 customers invoice number



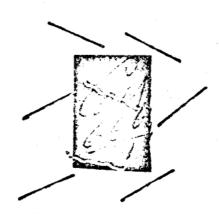
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COMMUNITY CLEANERS,
789 Dundas St., West,
TORONTO, Ont.

L. Brown Tag. By hand, in ink - name 'COM'. followed by customers invoice number and number of articles. 2 crimped staples.



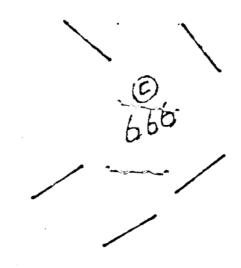
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INDICATOR LETTER 'C'

COMMUNITY CLEANERS, 789 Dundas St. West,

TORONTO, Ont.

Laundry & Directly on garment - by hand, in ink. The letter C in circle, eg. (C), followed by customers invoice number.



The Attorney General

July 26, 1968

Director, FBI

assassination of martin luther king, Jr.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated July 18th which I received from Ambassador Bruce regarding Mr. John T. Minnich in connection with the extradition of James Earl Ray.

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In addition to the information set forth in the enclosed statement, Mrs. WESTWOOD advised that some time after RAY checked out on 5/28/68 her husband deposited three \$10 American Express checks to their account at the bank. Neither she nor her husband can fully recall, but believe there is a possibility these travelers checks could have been received from RAY.

It is not known whether it is possible for American Express, New York, to check for any checks issued to RAY under the name SNEYD without the check numbers. Investigation re these checks being left to discretion of the Bureau.

The Yard has orally advised me in the strictest confidence that on 5/27/68 at 5:20 P.M. a lone man with a small gun walked into a jeweler's shop in Paddington area of London, pointed the gun at the jeweler, and said, "This is a stick-up, give me the money in the till." The jeweler hesitated and the man panicked and ran out of the shop and did not obtain any loot. When shown ten photographs of different men, the jeweler without hesitation picked out RAY as the hold-up man. The only confusing point is that the jeweler claims the man wore a hat. As far as can be determined RAY was hatless during his period in England, and did not have a hat in his possession. If he is the man involved he could, of course, have disposed of the hat.

The Yard points out that in the morning of June 4, 1968, he asked the clerk at the New Earls Court Hotel how much his bill wouldbe, and when told he reportedly said, "I'll have to go to my bank and make a withdrawal." The Fulham Bank (Lonairtel 7/3/68) was robbed the afternoon of June 4th.

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The Yard has the theory that if RAY is the man involved in the jewelry shop attempt, since he did not get any money then he must have committed a successful job between 5:20 P.M. on 5/27/68 and the morning of 5/28/68 in order to be able to pay his bill at Heathfield House.

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The Yard is not going to conduct any investigation to prove this theory. They are extremely fearful that if information re the jewelry shop job and information implicating RAY in any other jobs leaks to the press, that RAY's solicitor will insist RAY be charged in order to clear him of any or all jobs he allegedly committed.

Foregoing information, plus copies of enclosures, may be furnished the Department of Justice, with the understanding that the jewelry shop information should not be revealed to the press or public sources at this time.

For the Bureau's information only, I understand that Sir ELWYN JONES, British Attorney General, is reviewing all extradition papers, Magistrate's ourt proceedings, and JONES will appear in the High Court proceedings of 7/29/68 to represent the Governor of Wandsworth Prison.

WESTWOOD. of: Doris Catherine STATEMENT (Mrs.)

Age of Witness:

Over 21

Occupation of Witness: Hotel Proprietress

Address:

25 Fitzroy Square, W.1.

(Eus. 8301. Eus. 3500)

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This statement, consisting of 2 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 9th day of July 1968.

Signed: Doris Westwood

Signature witnessed by: P. A. Elliott
Detective Sergeant

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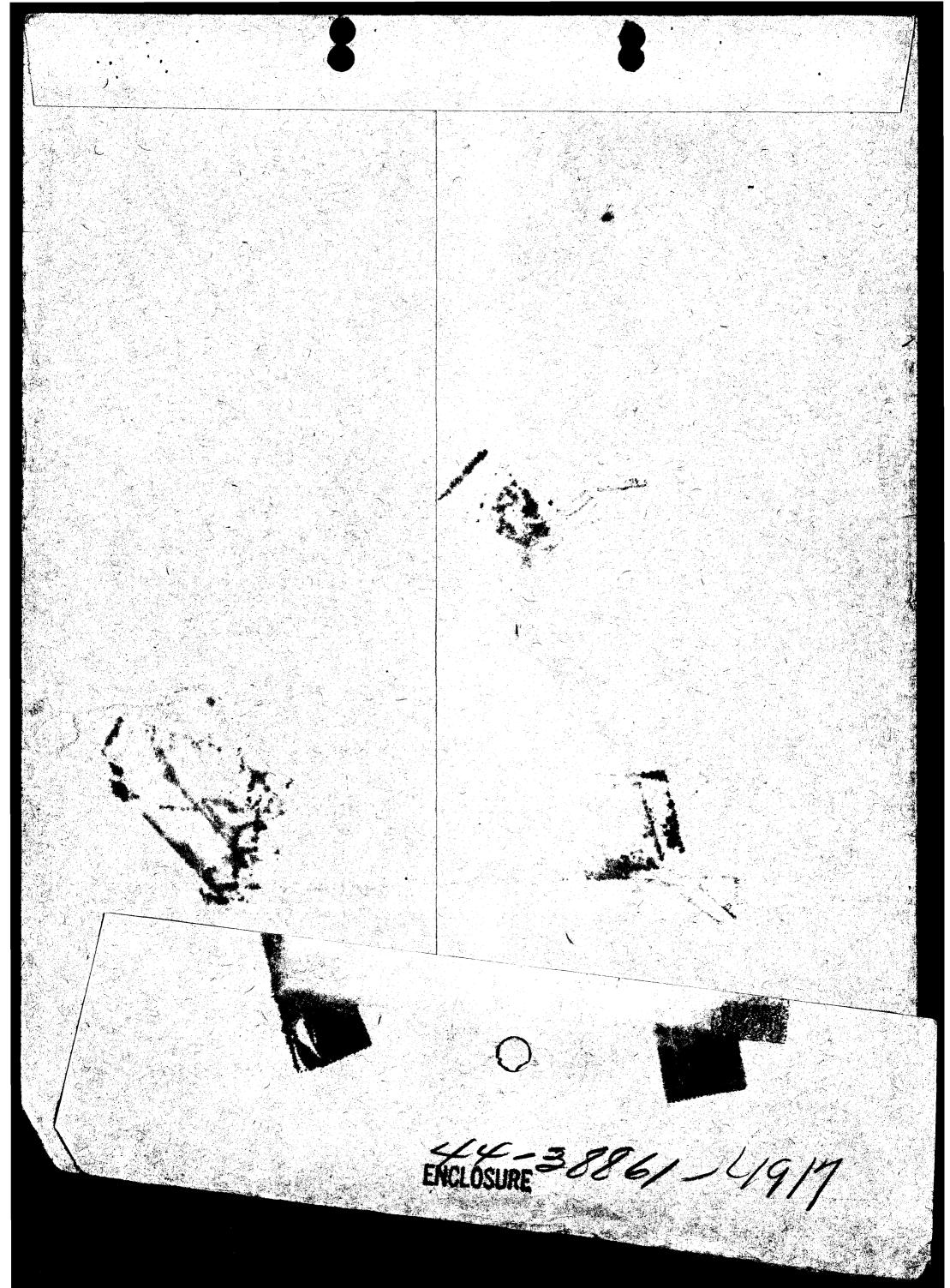
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The Attorney General

July 22, 1968

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1 - Mr. DeLoach

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You will recall that New Scotland Yard had been unable to determine James Earl Ray's whereabouts from May 17, 1968, when he arrived back in England from Lisbon, Portugal, and May 28, 1968, when he checked into the New Earls Court Hotel in London, England.

As a result of a request made by our representative in London, the Yard rechecked all hotels in the Kensington area near the West London Air Terminal and they determined that Ray checked into the Heathfield House Hotel in London on May 17, 1968, and checked out on May 28, 1968, which is the date he checked into the New Karls Court Hotel. The guest book of the Heathfield House Hotel contains the signature of Ramon George Sneyd, 962 Dindas - W -Foronto, Canada. This, of course, is the name Ray used to btain his Canadian passport and one of his addresses in

The proprietress of the hotel identified a plant of the subject as the individual known to her as The proprietress of the hotel identified a photo-Ramon George Sneyd who stayed at her hotel. The FBI Laboratory has determined that the signature Ramon George Sneyd on the copy of the guest book page is somewhat indistinct but is similar to known signatures of the subject.

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The proprietress of the hotel advised that Ray kept to himself, did not receive any mail, phone calls or visitors and left the hotel between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. every morning after breakfast and returned at about 1 a.m. She stated she did not think that Ray stayed out all night on any occasion but she could not be sure.

New Mcotispd Yard has orally informed in strictest confidence that on May 27, 1968, at 5:20 p.m., a lene man with a small gun walked into a jeweler's shop in the DeLoach _ Paddington area of Apaden, pointed the gun at the jeweler and stated, "This is a sick-up, give me the money in the till." The jeweler hesitated and the man panicked and ran

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out of the shop without obtaining any loot. When shown ten photographs of different men, the jeweler without hesitation picked out Ray as the attempted holdup man. The jeweler claimed the man wore a hat and as far as can be determined Ray was hatless during his period in England and did not have a hat in his possession. However, if he is the man involved he could have disposed of the hat.

New Scotland Yard has requested that the information regarding the attempted jewelry store holdup not be revealed to the press or public sources at this time.

- 1 The Deputy Attorney General
- l Mr. Stephen J. Pollak Assistant Attorney General
- 1 Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr. Assistant Attorney General

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One copy of each of the documents may be furnished to the Department of Justice with the understanding they be considered classified CONFIDENTIAL and possession of them not be made known to any other sources. In this regard revelation outside the Bureau or Department would jeopardize my source.

Concerning items 7 and 8, I am exploring with sources the possibility of obtaining reports of this nature on an official basis, with permission to officially disseminate to the Department of Justice and the State of Tennessee.

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To:

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The Legal Attache in London has obtained information from a highly confidential source that subject James Earl Ray while incarcerated in a British prison, using the name of Ramon G. Sneyd, sent a letter to Mr. J. B. Stoner, Attorney-at-Law, Savannah, Georgia. This letter, dated 7/4/68, in essence stated that subject Ray was shown a letter written by Stoner concerning a legal fund which Stoner represents, and Ray advises that he has retained Mr. Hanes and would like to get his advice before he takes any action.

The letter continues by advising that Ray appreciates Stoner's offer of assistance.

It is possible that this Stoner is identical to one Jesse B. Stoner, who is Vice President of the National States Rights Party with headquarters in Savannah, Georgia. Stoner has been described as a racial rabble rouser.

In view of Stoner's association with the National States Rights Party, Savannah and Memphis should determine through contact with appropriate sources and informants if Stoner has had any further contact with Ray.

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